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CALENDAR FOR 1942

The 70th Annual Convention will be held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Falls City, Nebraska, Rev. H. C. Cordts, pastor, May 4, 5, 6, 1942.

Synodical Sermon by the President of Synod.

Ordination Sermon, Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr.; Alternate, Rev. W. A. Klink.

Chaplain, Rev. C. B. Harman; Alternate, Rev. J. C. Miller.

Chorister, Rev. G. Gieschen.

Organist, Rev. S. Frederick.

ROLL OF SYNOD

	Pastor	Address	Year Ordained	Ent. Synod	Parish	Delegate
1.	Alexander, C. M. N.,	Scribner	1936	1936	United, Scribner	A. K. Miller
					Emmanuel, Snyder	W. A. Schoeneck**
2.	Alexander, W. W.,	Hooper	1935	1934	Grace, Hooper	A. E. Hecker
					St. John's, Vacoma	Robert Peterson**
3.	Baird, V.,	Rising City	1938	1937	First, Rising City	Carl Jaenike
* 4.	Baltzly, O. D., Ph. D., D. D., LL. D.,	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1896	1911	Pastor Emeritus, Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
5.	Berhenke, C. H.,	2544 N. 61 St., Omaha	1935	1935	First, Omaha	Herman Olsen
** 6.	Chittenden, W. J.,	York	1936	1936		
7.	Cordts, H. C.,	304 W. 20th, Falls City	1926	1925	St. Paul's, Falls City	Chris Kammerer
8.	Cress, F. L.,	Allen	1928	1936	First, Allen	
9.	Davis, R. V.,	Paxton	1930	1929	Trinity, Paxton	John Schmidt**
					Grace, Sutherland	Ira Sinclair**
**10.	Daubenspeck, W. M.,	Leavenworth Kansas	1929	1929	Chaplain U. S. P.	
†11.	de Freese, L. H.,	South Sioux City	1936	1935	First, South Sioux City	Herman Lahrs
12.	Delo, F. S.,	Hardy (Supply)	1894	1938	St. Paul's, Hardy	Jerome Kohl**
13.	Dorner, E. A.,	Columbus	1929	1929	United, Columbus	H. Kruse**
14.	Dumler, H.,	Davenport	1926	1925	Christ's, Davenport	C. R. Miller**
15.	Estrada, D.,	South America	1931	1931	Missionary	
*16.	Flora, G. R.,	Liberia, Africa	1936	1935	Missionary	
***17.	Frank A. O., D. D.,	325 E. 10th, Fremont	1923	1940	Salem, Fremont	F. E. Wood
****18.	Frederick, P. W. H., D. D.,	1653 N. Colson, Fremont	1900	1931	Professor in Western Seminary	
19.	Frederick S.,	Hubbard	1937	1937	Homer-Hubbard	
***20.	Gieschen, G.,	Wayne	1922	1934	St. Paul's, Wayne	R. C. Hahlbeck****
21.	Gigstad, K.,	Hampton	1941	1940	Emmanuel, Hampton	Andrew Christiansen****
22.	Goede, H. J.,	1310 S. 26th, Omaha	1930	1938	Grace, Omaha	Carl C. Witt
23.	Guss, W. I., D. D.,	127 N. 40th, Omaha	1899	1919	Retired	
24.	Harman, C. B., D. D.,	225 E. Ashton, Grand Island	1900	1909	Retired	
††25.	Haugse, E. N.,	Wolbach	1935	1935	Trinity, Wolbach	
					First, Ericson	
26.	Hartwig, G. H.,	Fremont		1941	Professor at Midland College	
27.	Heidenreich, W. C.,	Oshkosh	1906	1928	St. Mark's, Oshkosh	R. A. Quelle*
					Grace, Lewellen	Wm. Rohlfing*
28.	Henkel, F. W.,	Auburn	1926	1938	St. Paul's, Auburn	Wm. Rogge
29.	Henriksen, H. M.,	Stamford	1935	1935	Trinity, Stamford	H. J. Pyell**
30.	Hershey, J. C., D. D.,	350 W. 5th, Fremont	1917	1917	President of Synod	
31.	Holz, G. C. H.,	South America	1931	1931	Missionary	
***32.	Joens, H.,	Dakota City	1929	1929	Salem, Dakota City	B. M. Boals**
33.	Johnson, R.,	2602 Farnam, Omaha	1941	1941	Assistant at Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
*34.	Kahse, W. T., D. D.,	P. O. Box 123, Sidney	1905	1912	Sidney-Potter	M. Christensen*

*35.	Kemper, C. H., Hildreth	1927	1926	St. Paul's, Hildreth	John Jelken**
36.	Klink, W. A., West Point	1917	1917	Grace, West Point	A. J. Manser
37.	Krebs, G. P., Emerson	1934	1937	St. Luke's, Emerson	
38.	Leamer, J. S., D. D., 3404 17th, Columbus	1895	1940	Retired	
39.	Lesher, L. H., D.D., 847 S. 14th, Lincoln	1921	1939	Grace, Lincoln	G. Prestegaard
40.	Livers, W. S., Ponca	1932	1932	Salem, Ponca	
41.	Machetzki, P. O., D. D., Menges Mills, Pennsylvania	1915	1914	Missionary	
42.	Magalee, P. A., British Guiana, South America	1938	1938	Missionary	
43.	Mendenhall, A. L., Walton	1937	1936	Eagle-Walton	
***44.	Mendenhall, G. N., Ph. D., D. D., Sterling, Kansas	1908	1922	Professor	
45.	Miller, J. C. Verdon	1915	1928	St. Mark's, Verdon	A. Deckinger
				Trinity, Stella	E. Hunker**
46.	Moeller, G. E., 5016 Ohio St., Omaha	1932	1932	Luther Memorial, Omaha	Otto Nelson
***47.	Mortensen, E. C., Benedict	1920	1920	Zion, Benedict	G. Richardson, Jr.**
*48.	Mortensen, G. E., Box 208, Little Rock, Arkansas	1920	1920	C. C. C. Chaplain	
49.	Motzkus, W., Leigh	1913	1940	St. John's, Leigh	Frank Muehle
50.	Naugle, C. J., 2606 Farnam, Omaha	1938	1938	Assistant at Kountze Memorial, Omaha	
51.	Pinkall, A. H.,3931 S. 23rd, Omaha	1930	1930	St. Luke's, Omaha	W. A. Heuer
52.	Rhine, J. S., Gurley	1933	1933	Gurley-Dalton	R. E. Adams
53.	Rinde, T. D., D. D., 1406 N. Broad, Fremont	1924	1927	Professor in Western Seminary	
54.	Rohlfing, E. P., Broadwater	1935	1934	Messiah, Broadwater	A. M. Hens'ey
55.	Rubrecht, G. K., D. D., 311 W. 5th, North Platte	1905	1928	First, North Platte	Mrs. G. K. Rubrecht
56.	Rupley, J. B., 503 W. 2nd, Grand Island	1915	1941	St. Paul's, Grand Island	E. W. Augustine
57.	Saas, W. H., 214 N. 9th, Beatrice	1925	1924	Trinity, Beatrice	C. C. Gohe**
58.	Schuldt, T. J. C., 406 S. 9th, Nebraska City	1936	1936	First, Nebraska City	L. W. Rodenbrock
59.	Simon, M. B., Spencer	1937	1936	United, Spencer	
**60.	Smeal, M. M.	1938	1939		
***61.	Stump, W. C., 2051 N. 20th, Omaha	1910	1930	St. Mark's, Omaha	Howard Nelson
62.	Traub, W. H., D. D., LL. D., 2602 Farnam, Omaha	1913	1931	Kountze Memorial, Omaha	Wm. Teetmeyer
63.	Voss, W. A., 2875 Vane, Omaha	1925	1934	Our Redeemer, Omaha	V. B. Elseffer
64.	Wiegman, F. C., D. D., Midland College, Fremont	1927	1927	President of Midland College	
65.	Wiegman, P., Tekamah	1940	1940	Emmanuel, Tekamah	T. G. Lipps
66.	Wood, E. G., Chirala, Guntur, District, India	1929	1929	Missionary	
67.	Delegate-at-Large from North Platte Conference				Otto Nelson
68.	de Freese, K., Fremont, (Licentiate)			First, Wilber	E. Hauser**
69.	Rupley, J. B., Jr., Fremont, (Licentiate)			First, York	H. Wochner
				First, McCool Junction	
70.	Vacant			Emmanuel, Dakota City	

*Absent and excused
**Absent and not excused
***Absent part time and excused
****Absent part time and not excused
†Now dismissed to the Texas Synod
††Now at South Sioux City

MINUTES

COMMUNION SERVICE—MONDAY AFTERNOON

The Sixty-Ninth Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska convened in Grace Lutheran Church at Hooper, Nebraska, the Rev. W. W. Alexander, pastor, on Monday afternoon, April 28, 1941, at two o'clock.

The Preparatory and Holy Communion Services were in charge of the President and the Secretary of Synod. Dr. R. H. Gerberding, President of the Synod of the Northwest, preached the communion sermon. Seventy-seven pastors and lay delegates communed.

BROTHERHOOD CONVENTION AND BANQUET

At three-thirty o'clock Monday afternoon the State Brotherhood held its annual Convention with President Wm. F. Kedde presiding. The Brotherhood Banquet was held at 6:30 p. m. Mr. Carl O. Lof of Omaha, First Vice-President of the National Augustana Brotherhood, gave the address at the banquet. (See Brotherhood Minutes on page 54 for further details).

TUESDAY MORNING—APRIL 29, 1941

The Devotional Services at 8:45 o'clock Tuesday morning were in charge of Chaplain H. C. Cordts.

The Formal Opening of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey at 9:30 a. m.

The roll of Synod was called, 53 pastors and 24 lay delegates being present.

A welcome to Synod was extended by Mayor Dahl. Dr. L. H. Lesher responded to the welcome.

The Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel presented by the Rev. J. C. Miller was adopted.

The following new members of Synod were introduced and formally received: Rev. John B. Rupley, Rev. Karl Gigstad, Rev. Walter Motzkus, Rev. Paul Wiegman, Rev. Raymond Johnson and Dr. J. S. Leamer.

The President's Report was referred to the Committee on President's Report.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

"In the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Ghost." Amen.

Under the guiding hand of God we meet again to give an account of our stewardship. As most of our work pertains to things that are spiritual, it is not easy to enumerate the results. Only visible facts can be tabulated. While the world is watching with eagerness the

results of physical might, we of the Church are seeking and laboring for the things that are eternal in the heavens.

"Direct us, O Lord, in all our doings, with Thy most gracious favor, and further us with Thy continual help; that in all our works begun, continued, and ended in Thee, we may glorify Thy Holy Name; and finally, by Thy mercy, obtain everlasting life; through Jesus Christ, Thy Son, our Lord. Amen."

In Memoriam

The Rev. C. H. B. Lewis, Fremont, Nebraska, June 12, 1940.
The Rev. Samuel L. Keller, Fremont, Nebraska, June 22, 1940.

Resignations

The Rev. A. L. Mendenhall, United Evangelical Lutheran Church, Spencer, Nebraska, effective September 16, 1940.

The Rev. R. E. Rangeler, St. James', Lincoln; Grace, Walton; and Trinity, Eagle, effective September 30, 1940.

The Rev. C. B. Harman, D. D., St. Paul's, Grand Island, effective February 8, 1941.

The Rev. M. B. Simon, First, York, effective February 1, 1941.

The Rev. C. H. Kemper, St Paul's, Hildreth, effective May 1, 1941.

Calls Accepted (To Other Synods)

The Rev. C. P. Tranberg, 8125 S. Cottage Grove, Chicago, June 19, 1940 to Mt. Zion Rural, St. James' Rural, Harvel, Illinois.

The Rev. R. E. Rangeler, St. James', Lincoln; Grace, Walton; and Trinity, Eagle, September 30, 1940, to First Church, Topeka, Kansas.

The Rev. E. H. Gilmer, Hildreth, Nebraska, June 4th, 1940, to Peace Evangelical Church, New Cambria, Kansas.

The Rev. G. A. Saathoff, Dakota City, Salem, January 1, 1941, to St. Peter, Arenzville and St. John's, Bluff Springs, Wartburg Synod, Illinois.

Ordinations

Paul Wiegman, a graduate of Western Theological Seminary, was ordained May 21, 1940 at the Synodical meeting at Grand Island.

Licensure

Karl Gigstad, a senior at Western Theological Seminary, was licensed at the Synodical meeting at Grand Island, May 21, 1940. He was licensed for one Synodical year.

Vacancies

Bruning: The Methodists are still holding services in the building.

Dakota City, Emmanuel: A Palm Sunday service and a communion service on Easter was conducted by Rev. H. Joens, Tabitha Home, Lincoln, Nebraska.

Hardy: Rev. S. F. Delo is full time supply pastor and is doing fine work.

Wilber: Kenneth de Freese, a senior in the Seminary is supplying regularly in this parish.

York-McCool: John B. Rupley, Jr., Senior in the Seminary is the regular supply pastor.

Dakota City, Salem: Supplied regularly by students from Western Theological Seminary. A pastor is being considered.

Ericson: Rev. E. N. Haugse is the regular supply pastor.

Sutherland: Rev. R. V. Davis is the full time supply pastor. Good progress is being made.

Anniversaries

Dr. C. B. Harman: 40th year in the ministry, 40th wedding anniversary and 20th year in Grand Island, May 19-22, 1940.

Grace, Lincoln: 50th or Golden Jubilee, June 9, 1940.

Dr. W. T. Kahse: 70th birthday, June 23, 1940.

United, Scribner: 5th anniversary of congregation, September 22, 1940

Broadwater: 6th anniversary of congregation, September 22, 1940.

North Platte: 60th anniversary of congregation.

Calls Accepted (Within Synod)

The Rev. Walter Motzkus, to St. John's, Leigh, June 30, 1940.

The Rev. Paul Wiegman, Emmanuel, Tekamah, June 1, 1940.

The Rev. M. B. Simon, Spencer, February 1, 1941.

The Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., St. Paul's Grand Island, February 8, 1941.

The Rev A. L. Mendenhall, Grace, Walton; Trinity, Eagle, March 1, 1941.

The Rev. Raymond Johnson, assistant to Dr. W. H. Traub, Kountze Memorial, Omaha.

The Rev. Karl Gigstad, Emmanuel, Hampton, April 6, 1941.

Installations

The Rev. Walter Motzkus, St. John's, Leigh, June 30, 1940.

The Rev. Paul Wiegman, Emmanuel, Tekamah, September 8, 1940.

The Rev. M. B. Simon, United, Spencer, February 2, 1941.

The Rev. J. B. Rupley, Sr., St. Paul's, Grand Island, February 9, 1941.

The Rev. A. L. Mendenhall, Grace, Walton; Trinity, Eagle, March 2, 1941.

The Rev. R. Johnson, assistant, Kountze Memorial, Omaha.

Improvements

Oshkosh: Bungalow piano for Primary Room, $175.

Wilber: Electrified Candalabra for Altar. Ply-Board separator for two classes in Sunday School.

Grand Island: New heating system, $1,985.00.

Stamford: Hymnals, landscaping, cost $50.00, debt reduction, $100.00.

Stella: Building redecorated, cost $30.00 plus labor.

Verdon: Church and parsonage wired for electricity and new fixtures installed, $200.00.

Broadwater: Parsonage reshingled, $85, choir robes $55.00, debt reduction $150.00.

Hardy: Nine piece orchestra developed in Church School, entire of church floor varnished, dying trees cut down and Chinese elms set out, sum total of benevolence increased $10.00.

Hooper: Parsonage painted, 20 Common service books purchased, 24 Parish hymnals purchased, Venetian blinds for pastor's study and four recordings of the Common Service as prepared by the Common Service Committee of the U. L. C. A. secured.

Hampton: Exterior of the church and parsonage painted, $66.00 plus labor. Dishes purchased by the Ladies Guild, $27.00.

South Sioux City: New six room Cape Cod Colonial style par-

sonage with garage attached, automatic air conditioning, etc., cost $4,000.00 on F. H. A. loan. Property value $6,500. Art glass windows installed in and under balcony of church, $27.00. Altar service books presented by confirmation class, $9.00. Windows and door openings calked, 36 new Common Service books presented by various auxiliaries and individuals of the church. Confirmation class of 1941 will donate Lecturn for chancel.

Dalton: Ceiling on basement, piano for basement, 20 new Common Service books, new steps on front of church, total $90.00.

Gurley: New entrance to basement, $25.00; set of violet altar cloths, $13.00; 15 Common Service books, $10.00; purchased seven room parsonage, $400.00 cash, balance $800.00 at $10.00 per month without interest.

Omaha, First: New Hammond Electric organ, $1,470, less than $300.00 remains to be paid. The entire interior of the church has been redecorated with the walls being covered with old stone block wall nuwood. New wall lights were given. New drapes and hangers were given for the basement, the kitchen and the new club room. Two small rooms made into one large room which has been completely redecorated with new drapes and lights. A large cabinet was made with individual drawers for altar paraments, linens, vases and communion service, with a side compartment for the pastor's robe and vestments. A used addressing machine was purchased for the use of the pastor.

Allen: New hot air heating plant in the church, $256.00 and over 200 hours of labor donated. A beautiful three panel altar backing has been made for the children's altar and donated by Rev. Cress and family. The center panel contains the picture of the Good Shepherd. The addition of a rear table has been added to the altar in the service. This was donated by the superintendent of the Sunday School Mr. M. M. Martin and family and the pastor and family. The debt of the congregation has been reduced to less than half the amount that it was four years ago.

Fremont: Salem church has redecorated two basement rooms, used for Sunday School and class purposes, together with refurnishing of one used as a cradle roll room. A new roof was placed on the Sunday School unit of the church at a cost of $150. A set of new flags for the chancel, office equipment and kitchen ware have been purchased, new hymnals for the Junior Department. A youth choir has been organized, Luther Leagues organized in Intermediate, Senior and Young People's divisions, a Junior Deacon group of young men organized for promoting a more effective worship service. $1,000.00 has been received in two special gifts, debt of interest bearing notes reduced, the largest total of money pledged in Every-Member-Canvas is reported. Attendance is good, and the work is encouraging.

Columbus: Paid on interest bearing indebtedness, $200.00.

North Platte: Parsonage repaired and painted. Further improvements were made on the church property.

Emerson: Installed complete boiler for the church.

Omaha, St. Luke's: The rest of our stained windows have been purchased and paid for.

Wolbach: Church painted. Fund started for the purchasing of robes for the choir.

Wayne: New furnace installed in parsonage, $275.00.

Omaha, Grace: Entire church including the main auditorium, Sunday School room and basement, has been redecorated and floors sanded at a cost of $580. The congregation has also acquired and paid for an additional lot adjoining the original property, $500.00.

Promotional and Evangelism

Broadwater: Enthusiastic response by young people to Youth Rally. Dr. Harman delivered six catechetical lectures which were well attended. Fine response. Results cannot be measured.

Hardy: 10 subscriptions to The Lutheran, 14 to Women's Work. Services during Holy Week, something new at Hardy.

Paxton-Sutherland: 10 in adult catechetical class.

Omaha, First: Attendance of above 90% of enrollment of Sunday Bible School has prevailed so far this year.

Allen: Promotional meetings valuable for creating new interest. Personnel of church council has changed; there should be another council's conference.

Stamford: Promotional Programs have given our leaders deep insight in the general work of the Church, as well as into their individual congregational responsibilities. As a result, the pastor finds it less difficult to secure, perhaps not at all times a competent leadership, but a willing and a much more efficient leadership to assume the timely and pressing duties of the church and congregation.

Omaha, Redeemer: Expansion becomes necessary because of growth. Crowded conditions has compelled the congregation to vote to erect a $13,000.00 addition to their present building.

Fremont: The average attendance per Sunday in Bible School increased by 26 in 1940 over 1939. Church attendance morning average for 1940 was 327.

Lincoln, Grace: Two services each Sunday morning are necessary to accommodate the congregation. A Stewardship Program resulted in a surplus in the apportioned benevolence. A Youth Choir sings at the early service.

Homer: The Women have organized as "Women of the Church." The Guild formerly boasted of 14 members. The new organization has 60 enrolled.

North Platte: Total accessions, 81. Number of persons communing reached an all time high. Daily vacation Bible School had an enrollment of 151. Church School also reached an all time high in attendance. A Youth Choir has been organized. A determined effort will be made to interest the indifferent and the lapsed.

Dalton: After several unsuccessful attempts to hold Worker's Conferences they are now being successfully held on Sunday afternoons. President Wiegman spoke at the January meeting.

Spencer: Mid-week services held for the first time during Lent. Adult catechetical class organized.

Wayne: All women of the church automatically become members of the new organization "Women of the Church." About 85 women have expressed their desire to cooperate. A Parish Education Cabinet has been organized and is studying the entire educational set-up of the congregation. The Luther League is studying the booklet "Youth's Faith in Action." The Church Council is studying "Forty Thousand Strong."

Acts of the President

Among the duties of your president during the past year are these: travelled by car 12,961 miles, by train 7,615, delivered 62 sermons, ten greetings to various groups, attended 22 council meetings, attended four Executive Committee meetings of Synod and contacted the Executive Committee three times by mail, met with the Mission Committee of Synod three times and once with the Merger Committee of the three Synods. Dr. Rinde and I attended the Merger meetings at Fort Wayne, Indiana which was held for the purpose of merging Hamma Divinity School with the seminary at Maywood.

While acting as chairman of the committee for entertaining the U. L. C. A. convention in Omaha, attended 17 meetings of that committee. It also became necessary to meet often with the Omaha Chamber of Commerce as well as with the Hotel Fontenelle representative before all arrangements were complete for the convention.

Eighteen Youth Rallies were held throughout the state jointly with the Mid-West Synod. All were well attended and pastors report they are studying or have studied the book "Youth's Faith in Action." These young people will be the leaders in our Synod in the future.

Because of following closely the U. L. C. A. Convention and also due to weather conditions, our fall conferences were not well attended. Comparing membership the Western Conference had the largest number present at its sessions. Rev. Arthur H. Getz, one of the associate secretaries of the Parish and Church School Board, added much to the conferences with his moving pictures on "Church School Efficiency."

Recommendation

We recommend that "Evangelism" and "Stewardship" be the topics for consideration at the conferences this fall.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey, President of Synod

The Treasurer's Annual Report was presented by Mr. F. E. Wood. The Auditor's Report was also presented and adopted.

TREASURER'S REPORT

Receipts

The apportionment		$21,368.37
Lutheran Brotherhood space in Minutes of Synod		22.40
Offering Synod meeting, Grand Island		21.33
Refund amount advanced to S. Frederick, Homer Relief		100.00
Refund advanced to Women's Com. Convention		50.00
Refund advanced H. J. Goede, Pub. Com. Convention		25.00
Refund J. C. Hershey		150.00
Foreign Missions (specials)		236.65
Tabitha Home (specials)		1,202.88
Midland College (specials)		65.63
Miscellaneous:		
Finnish Relief	$ 383.53	
Board American Missions	27.89	
Midland Assembly	6.00	
Emergency Appeal	55.90	
China Relief	7.45	
Lutheran World Action	706.60	
Homer Relief	326.60	
Convention specials	943.34	
Service Books Conv.	243.95	2,701.26
		$25,943.52

Disbursements

United Lutheran Church—apportionment	$ 9,279.06
United Lutheran Church—specials	1,418.02
Midland College—apportionment	4,948.83

Midland College—specials		65.63
Tabitha Home—apportionment		1,237.21
Tabitha Home—specials		1,202.88
Ministerial aid		500.00
Mission Committee		1,260.00
Homer Relief		326.60
Midland assembly		6.00
Convention specials		146.47
Convention service books		146.20
Miscellaneous Synodical disbursements:		
Midland College—stationery	$ 9.41	
J. C. Hershey—Salary and expenses	3,554.46	
T. D. Rinde—Salary and expenses	52.00	
W. A. Klink—Midland College Board	6.13	
A. T. Yost—Midland College Board	8.65	
F. E. Wood—Salary, envelopes and stamps	72.45	
F. E. Wood—Delegate convention	15.00	
Megrath Stationery Co.—Ledgers	8.00	
W. H. Saas—Convention expense	21.00	
W. H. Saas—Parish Ed. Com. and supplies	20.10	
Gus Prestegaard—Convention expense	21.00	
Gus Prestegaard—Com. meetings	4.00	
Concordia Pub. Co.—Stewardship literature	9.21	
E. H. Rohlfing	1.00	
H. Dumler	3.50	
C. H. B. Lewis	1.00	
W. W. Alexander—Parish Ed. conference	11.00	
A. H. Pinkall—Midland College Board and Executive Committee	4.75	
A. H. Pinkall—Convention Committee	10.00	
Nebraska State Building and Loan Co.	2.20	
Hanson Audit Co.	25.00	
C. B. Harman	5.00	
C. H. Berhenke—Young People's Committee	66.55	
Sherman Frederick—advance	100.00	
V. B. Elseffer—Radio Committee convention	75.00	
Perkins Printing Co.	225.89	
Henry Goede—Advance Conv. Pub Com.	25.00	
Mrs. George Shibley—advance	25.00	
Mrs. C. L. Peterson—advance	25.00	
Owen Printing Co.	8.00	
George P. Krebs—Stewardship Com.	4.00	
Harry Swenson	1.00	
J. F. Bastar, Treas. Bond	10.00	
U. L. C. Pub. Co.—Convention service books	97.75	
E. C. Mortensen—Convention delegate	21.00	
L. H. Lesher—Convention delegate	21.00	
G. K. Rubrecht—Convention delegate	18.00	
A. J. Manser—Convention delegate	18.00	
Convention expense paid as directed	796.87	
Exchange	3.70	5,406.62
Grand Total		$25,943.52

Church	Apportionment	Paid	%	Specials	Total
Allen	$ 616.00	$ 81.00	13.		81.00
Auburn	925.00	345.00	37.3	353.77	698.77
Beatrice	607.00	85.03	14.	29.39	114.42
Benedict	563.00	230.00	43.	61.21	291.21
Broadwater	538.00	138.00	25.6	3.50	141.50
Columbus	416.00	158.00	38.	6.00	164.00
Dalton	509.00	112.00	22.	2.43	114.43
Dak. City, Em.	44.00	10.00	22.7		10.00

Dak. City, Salem	582.00	271.14	46.6	17.00	288.14
Davenport	1,072.00	70.00	6.5	10.00	80.00
Eagle	230.00	6.50	3.		6.50
Emerson	946.00	369.93	39.	202.81	572.74
Ericson	54.00	12.00	22.2	2.00	14.00
Falls City	2,643.00	760.00	29.	30.06	790.06
Fremont	2,138.00	1,490.34	69.7	199.71	1,690.05
Grand Island	4,037.00	982.00	24.3	26.33	1,008.33
Gurley	475.00	234.00	49.2	25.50	259.50
Hampton	298.00	10.00	3.3		10.00
Hardy	309.00	13.75	4.4	24.40	38.15
Hildreth	489.00	128.00	26.	5.00	133.00
Homer	724.00				
Hooper	1,052.00	322.75	30.6	28.08	350.83
Hubbard	279.00	22.23	7.9		22.23
Leigh	700.00	119.00	17.	40.52	159.52
Lincoln, Grace	1,923.00	1,925.00	100.+	388.24	2,313.24
" St. James'	333.00	80.00	24.	28.40	108.40
Lewellen	299.00	91.00	30.4	30.00	121.00
McCool Jct.	343.00				
Nebraska City	636.00	220.00	34.6	73.14	293.14
North Platte	2,462.00	1,830.00	74.	175.20	2,005.20
Omaha, First	1,615.00	611.00	37.8	24.90	635.90
" Grace	832.00	59.60	7.1	8.74	68.34
" K. Mem.	11,183.00	3,925.00	35.	118.17	4,043.17
" L. Mem.	172.00	172.00	100.	38.60	210.60
" Redeemer	2,486.00	1,513.00	60.9	160.60	1,673.60
" St. Luke's	2,530.00	1,287.00	50.8	173.73	1,460.75
" St. Mark's	636.00	410.00	64.6	42.50	452.50
Oshkosh	338.00	52.00	15.4		52.00
Paxton	783.00	299.00	38.	120.11	419.11
Ponca	1,057.00	294.00	27.9	54.00	348.00
Potter	113.00	50.00	44.2	50.00	100.00
Rising City	832.00	207.13	24.9	18.76	225.89
Scribner	817.00	150.00	18.3	12.50	162.50
Snyder	196.00	5.00	2.5		5.00
Sidney	661.00	235.00	35.5	73.00	308.00
S. Sioux City	1,037.00	470.00	45.3	5.00	475.00
Spencer	357.00	37.00	10.3		37.00
Stamford	533.00	93.00	17.6	14.02	107.02
Stella	123.00	26.50	21.5	33.80	60.30
Sutherland	59.00	10.00	17.	15.00	25.00
Tekamah	392.00	57.70	14.7	27.51	85.21
Vacoma	314.00	48.00	15.	18.48	66.48
Verdon	665.00	198.00	30.	137.45	335.45
Walton	382.00	19.00	5.	25.50	44.50
Wayne	1,091.00	294.00	26.9	75.38	369.38
West Point	1,487.00	566.77	38.	5.00	571.77
Wilber	323.00	85.00	26.3		85.00
Wolbach	695.00	42.00	6.	1,800.00	60.00
York	504.00	35.00	6.9		35.00
Totals	$58,455.00	$21,368.37	36.5	$3,033.46	$24,401.83

F. E. Wood, Treasurer

To the Board of Trustees:

The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska
of the United Lutheran Church in America.

In accordance with your request, we have conducted a detailed audit of the financial books and records of your Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, for the period from January 28, 1940 to January 31, 1941, inclusive.

There was on deposit in the Stephens National Bank checking account $6,719.13 on January 31, 1941. The net balance of funds on deposit per the books as of January 31, 1941 was Nil.

Officers of the Synod during the past fiscal year were:

Rev. John C. Hershey, President
Rev. Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary
Mr. F. E. Wood, Treasurer

Our report is divided into the following Exhibits:

Exhibit "A": Summary Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from January 28, 1940 to January 31, 1941, inclusive.

Exhibit "B": Detailed Statement of Receipts and Disbursements by Funds from January 28, 1940 to January 31, 1941, inclusive.

Exhibit "C": Bank Reconciliation, January 31st, 1941.

Our report submitted herewith agrees with the financial records of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska of the United Lutheran Church in America, Treasurer, Mr. F. E. Wood, and to the best of our knowledge and belief is a correct accounting for all receipts and disbursements for the fiscal period from January 28, 1940 to January 31st, 1941, inclusive.

Respectfully submitted,
THE HANSON AUDIT COMPANY,
By Jas. R. Hanson

The Report of the Statistician was presented by the Rev. W. H. Saas.

REPORT OF STATISTICIAN

The task of making out the synodical Parochial Report was unusually difficult this year. Late reports, incomplete reports, reports carelessly put together and reports improperly filled out due to unfamiliarity with the new blanks made plenty of work for the statistician. An application of Matthew 7:12 on the part of some of the brethren when filling out the blanks should make the task of the statistician easier.

For the first time in seven years we failed to get a report from every congregation of Synod. We received no report from St. James', Lincoln.

We submit the following analysis of this year's report:

Membership	Number	Increase	Decrease
Congregations	59		
Baptized	29,462	226	
Confirmed	20,543	271	
Communicant	12,258		47
Sunday Schools	59		1
Staff Members	1,063		68
In Sunday School	8,507		34
Home Department	120		57
Cradle Roll	1,003		77
Week Day Schools	31	1	
Teachers	188		8
Scholars	1,687		28
Catechumens	1,203	198	
Students			
In Lutheran Seminaries	4		6
In Lutheran Institutions	64	17	
In Non-Lutheran Institutions	277	9	

Church Societies			
Number of Men's	25	2	
Members	533	61	
Number of Women's	107		6
Members	3,411	107	
Young People's	58		34
Members	1,302		736
Children of the Church	45	**	**
Members	685	**	**
Congregational Expense			
Current	$116,075		$1,080
Unusual	32,288	$4,580	
Total	144,863	3,500	
Congregational Benevolence			
Apportioned	20,836	208	
Unapportioned	15,374	2,232	
Total	36,210	2,440	
Total Expenditures	$184,573	$5,940	
Indebtedness	$107,070		$9,550

A study of this analysis does not present too bright a picture. It does not indicate any great zeal for the advancement of the Kingdom. But it does indicate the need for more consecrated effort on the part of pastors and people.

The analysis presents the following picture:—

1. A working force of 20,543 confirmed members and their pastors increasing the membership of the Church by only 271 souls during a whole year for an average of one seventy-sixth of a soul per confirmed member. It took 45 Communicant Members to account for each accession.
2. We see only 12,258 of those 20,543 sufficiently interested to desire to partake of the Holy Sacrament at least once during the year.
3. We see that working force permitting a decrease in the number of Sunday Schools, staff members, scholars and members of the Home Department.
4. We see them inspiring only four young men to start their preparations for the Gospel ministry.

This picture might suggest the need for a standing committee on Evangelism for the Synod.

The analysis further indicates the need for harnessing the power of the Church. Only 533 men are in organized groups, 3,411 women, and 1,302 young people. There are 685 children in the Children of the Church group. Less than a fourth of our people belong to organized groups and perhaps a part of this fraction are not organized for Christian service.

For the most part the financial picture is somewhat brighter, though not as bright as it should be. An increase is noticed in all departments of finance except that of "current expense" which showed a decrease.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. Saas

The Historian's Report was presented by Dr. G. K. Rubrecht. The Historian was given permission to add two items to his Report.

The Historian was authorized to investigate concerning the whereabouts of the past records of Synod

and to bring recommendations to Synod with reference to the preservation of the records of Synod.

REPORT OF THE HISTORIAN

Three congregations reported special services of historical significance during the year.

Luther Memorial Evangelical Lutheran Church, Omaha, the Rev. George E. Moeller, pastor, dedicated the first unit of its contemplated church building on Sunday, June 23, 1940. Orgainzed in 1935 under the direction of Rev. W. C. Stump, Pastor of St. Mark's Church, Omaha, the congregation was admitted into Synod the following May. Hillcrest Hall at 49th and Dodge Streets was secured as a place of worship. Services were held here until February, 1937 when the vacant chapel of Dundee Methodist Church was secured. Pastor W. C. Stump and others served the congregation until the coming of Rev. George E. Moeller who took charge October 24, 1937. Ground was broken for the new church November 26, 1939. The cornerstone was laid December 17. Two special services marked the Day of Dedication. Rev. W. I. Guss, D. D., former president of Synod assisted the pastor in the morning service. Pastors T. D. Rinde, D. D., A. H. Pinkall, W. C. Stump and W. A. Voss assisted at the Service of Dedication in the afternoon. Rev. A. M. Knudsen, D. D. General Secretary of the Board of American Missions, preached the Dedicatory Sermon "The Glory of His House." A fine program listing the services in detail, gifts and memorials, was published and widely distributed.

Grace English Evangelical Lutheran Church, Lincoln, the Rev. Leland H. Lesher, D. D., Pastor, celebrated its Golden Jubilee, June 9-10, 1940. A beautiful forty-four page Souvenir Booklet, profusely illustrated, was published to commemorate the occasion. It contains not only a complete history of the congregation but pictures of former pastors, former places of worship, pictures of officers and organizations and a brief history of each organization. Those participating in the Jubilee celebration were Dr. Fuller Bergstresser, a former pastor, who preached the Anniversary Sermon, President J. C. Hershey, D. D., President of Synod and Rev. Frank Delo who served as an interim pastor of the congregation. A photo and trophy display was a feature of the celebration. The Anniversary Banquet at the Hotel Lindell on Monday evening overtaxed the capacity of its large dining-room. Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, D. D. of North Platte was the Banquet speaker. The Women's Missionary organized August 27, 1890 celebrated its Jubilee with an Anniversary Luncheon at the Church June 5th. A very complete history of the organization was published.

First Evangelical Lutheran Church of North Platte, The Rev. G. Keller Rubrecht, D. D., Pastor, celebrated its Sixtieth Anniversary September 29 to October 13. Former pastors, the Rev. C. Franklin Koch, D. D., Executive Secretary of the Board of Social Missions, President Fred C. Wiegman, D. D., of Midland College and Rev. J. C. Hershey, D. D., President of Synod were the Anniversary speakers. A prominent place was reserved for Dr. C. B. Harman of Grand Island, also a former pastor but due to illness was unable to participate in the festivities. An Anniversary Banquet on Monday evening, September 30 at the Pawnee Hotel attracted a large crowd. Sunday, October 6 was observed as Anniversary Communion Sunday. Motion pictures covering certain phases of the Anniversary celebration were taken and later shown in connection with pictures taken on the occasion of the Jubilee celebration ten years ago. The anniversary served as a great stimulus for the life of the congregation.

Other anniversaries may have been observed. The Historian of Synod received no notice or material covering the same. Matters of

minor historical significance and a record of pastors received and dismissed during the year appear in the President's Report.

Respectfully submitted,
G. Keller Rubrecht

The following official representatives and visitors were introduced to Synod: Dr. R. H. Gerberding, official representative from the United Lutheran Church in America; Dr. C. P. Harry, one of the student secretaries of the Board of Education; Dr. Jacob Diehl; the Rev. W. W. Klover, President of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States and fraternal delegate from his Synod. Dr. E. W. Harner of Denver, Colorado; Dr. Holmes Dysinger, professor emeritus at Western Theological Seminary.

Special Committees were announced by President Hershey.

The Report of the Executive Committee was presented by the Secretary. Item 10 of the Report was adopted.

REPORT OF THE EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE

1. The Executive Committee has held three meetings since the last Convention of Synod.
2. The Standing Committees required by the Constitution and the Special Committees were appointed, and the Calendar for the 1941 Convention was arranged, as shown in the 1940 Minutes.
3. The Committee took care of the unfinished business referred to it from the 1940 Convention.
4. The contract for printing the Minutes of the 1940 Convention of Synod was let to the Perkins Printing Company of Fremont, Nebraska.
5. An order for twenty-one dollars was drawn on the Synodical Treasury to take care of the Nebraska Synod's share of the expense for mimeographing the revised tentative Constitution for the proposed merger of The Kansas, The Midwest and The Nebraska Synods.
6. The Commitee voted to mimeograph the Reports of Officers and Committees to be presented to the 1941 Convention of Synod so that they could be sent to the members of Synod prior to the Convention.
7. The State Brotherhood was granted time for its Convention at 3:30 o'clock Monday afternoon, April 28, 1941, and Monday evening for the Brotherhood Banquet.
8. The Committee voted to send two representatives to a meeting in Fort Wayne, Indiana, which considered a possible merger of Hamma Divinity School, Springfield, Ohio, and Chicago Theological Seminary, Maywood, Illinois.
9. The Committee voted to present the following suggested amendments to the Synodical Constitution to be voted on at the 1942 Convention of Synod:
   (a) That in line five of Article IX, Section 1, paragraph (A), the following sentence be added after the words "and lay delegates shall be elected": "The President of Synod

shall be one of the clerical delegates to each Convention of The United Lutheran Church in America."

(b) That all of paragraph (C) in Article IX, Section 1, be stricken from the Constitution, and that paragraphs (D), (E) and (F) in the same Article and Section be relettered (C), (D) and (E), respectively.

(c) That the first sentence in paragraph (C), Section 2, Article IX, be made to read: "The Trustees of Tabitha Home shall be three in number, one clerical and two laymen, who shall be elected by Synod by ballot for a term of two years.

10. The Committee recommends the following budget for 1942:

Section 1—Fixed Items

Salaries	$3,100.00
Missions	1,400.00
President's travel expense	600.00
Beneficiary Education	500.00
Printing	335.00
General Expense Fund	330.00
Student work at the University of Nebraska	100.00
Auditor's fees	25.00
Treasurer's bond	10.00
Total	$6,400.00

Section 2—The Apportionment

The United Lutheran Church in America	$30,887.00
Midland College	16,600.00
Tabitha Home	4,150.00
Total	$51,637.00
Grand Total	$58,037.00

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary.

In accordance with the budget adopted by Synod the Apportionment Table for 1942, based upon a communing membership of 12,185 is as follows:

Allen	$ 538	Omaha, First	$ 1,511
Auburn	1,272	Omaha, Grace	1,006
Beatrice	530	Omaha, K. M.	10,706
Benedict	533	Omaha, L. M.	248
Broadwater	538	Omaha, Redeemer	2,478
Columbus	401	Omaha, St. Luke's	2,573
Dalton	500	Omaha, St. Mark's	620
Dakota City, Emmanuel	43	Oshkosh	214
Dakota City, Salem	491	Paxton	777
Davenport	1,068	Ponca	948
Eagle	248	Potter	124
Emerson	929	Rising City	925
Ericson	66	Scribner	906
Falls City	2,687	Sidney	734
Fremont	2,239	Snyder	267
Grand Island	3,931	South Sioux City	1,244
Gurley	524	Spencer	286
Hampton	286	Stamford	505
Hardy	420	Stella	105
Hildreth	424	Sutherland	57
Homer	715	Tekamah	167
Hooper	1,120	Vacoma	310
Hubbard	381	Verdon	543

Leigh	$ 824	Walton	$ 401
Lewellen	239	Wayne	1,110
Lincoln, Grace	2,059	West Point	1,505
McCool Junction	410	Wilber	333
Nebraska City	827	Wolbach	439
North Platte	2,430	York	324

Respectfully submitted,
Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary

AMENDMENTS TO THE CONSTITUTION OF THE EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA TO BE VOTED ON AT THE 1942 CONVENTION.

1. That in line five of Article IX, Section 1, paragraph (A), the following sentence be added after the words "and lay delegates shall be elected": "The President of Synod shall be one of the clerical delegates to each Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America."

Thomas D. Rinde — G. Prestegaard — W. C. Stump
Walter A. Voss — Otto Nelson — V. B. Elseffer
G. Keller Rubrecht — A. E. Hecker

2. That all of paragraph (C) in Article IX, Section 1, be stricken from the Constitution, and that paragraphs (D), (E) and (F) in the same Article and Section be re-lettered (C), (D) and (E), respectively.

Thomas D. Rinde — G. Prestegaard — W. C. Stump
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3. That the first sentence in Paragraph (C), Section 2, Article IX, be made to read: "The Trustees of Tabitha Home shall be three in number, one clerical and two laymen, who shall be elected by Synod by ballot for a term of two years."

Thomas D. Rinde — G. Prestegaard — W. C. Stump
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G. Keller Rubrecht — A. E. Hecker

The Report of the Parish Education Committee was presented by the Rev. W. H. Saas.

A motion was made and seconded that whenever a Synodical Committee wishes one of its members to attend a Conference outside the bounds of Synod the Committee shall present a request to the Executive Committee of Synod for such a privilege. (For action on this motion see page 37.)

The time for the special order of the day had arrived.

Dr. E. W. Harner, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Denver, Colorado, presented a stimulating message on the theme: "The Sure Foundation."

The session closed at 12:05 p. m. with prayer by Dr. Holmes Dysinger.

TUESDAY AFTERNOON

At two o'clock Tuesday afternoon a brief devotional service was conducted by Chaplain H. C. Cordts.

The roll call and the reading of the Minutes were omitted.

The Report of the Committee on Reference and Counsel was adopted.

Dr. R. H. Gerberding, official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, spoke to Synod on several matters that are vital to the life and growth of our Church.

Greetings from the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America were brought to Synod by Dr. C. P. Harry.

The tellers reported 53 ballots cast for Vice-President. Dr. C. B. Harman received forty-two votes which was the necessary majority for election. The President declared Dr. Harman elected.

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief was presented by the Rev. F. S. Delo.

A motion was made and seconded to strike the first recommendation from this Report.

The tellers reported 61 votes cast for Secretary. Dr. T. D. Rinde received 54 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Dr. Rinde elected.

Synod adjourned for a ten minute recess.

Synod re-convened at 3:50 p. m.

Mr. F. E. Wood was nominated for Treasurer of Synod. The nominations were closed. The Secretary was instructed to cast the vote of Synod for Mr. Wood as Synodical Treasurer. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Mr. Wood elected.

By special order the Report of the Trustees on the Midland College Board was presented by the Rev. W. A. Klink. President F. C. Wiegman spoke to Synod on the work and needs of the college. Dr. P. W. H. Frederick, Acting Dean of Western Theological Seminary, presented a separate report on the Seminary.

REPORT OF MIDLAND COLLEGE

The enrollment for the current year is as follows:

Collegiate Department:

Seniors	38
Juniors	46
Sophomores	71
Freshmen	149
Irregulars	21
Total College	325

Special Schools:		
Education Department	152	
Fine Arts—Senior	113	
Fine Arts—Junior	61	
Business Department	98	
Extension Department	89	
Theological Seminary	8	
Summer School	187	
Total Special Schools		707
Grand Total		1,032
Less duplication		415
Net Grand Total		617

Deductions for duplication is as follows: A student might be counted a college sophomore, a senior fine arts student, and a summer school student, or be duplicated in any other way in more than one list and deduction is then made later for that.

There are 31 members of the faculty, last year there were 23. Dr. Wiegman's position is administrative.

Sixty-three young women are housed in Beegle Hall. There are 135 taking their meals in the Dining Hall as compared to 112 of last year. The eight Seminary students are classified as follows, two seniors, four middlers, two juniors.

While the mortgage loan is being taken care of it is a constant worry. When one realizes that monthly payments to the extent of $506.12 are being paid it can be seen that it is a heavy load. The mortgage was $80,000 given in December, 1938. The balance of principal, as of April 1st, is now $73,926.86. It seems that at the present rate of interest some plan should be evolved whereby a lower rate of interest could be secured. This can be done only by a company taking over the present set-up and supplying money at a lower rate.

We rejoice at the efforts the President, Dr. F. C. Wiegman, is making in administering the affairs of Midland. That he is successful cannot be doubted.

Comparative Statement of Income and Expenses for the First Semester

INCOME	1939-40	1940-41
Educational and General		
Tuition and Fees	$18,859.00	$22,918.74
Endowment Fund Income	2,173.19	2,203.39
Gifts and Grants	11,049.66	9,492.88
Sales and Services	459.17	492.33
Income from Other Sources	141.56	144.36
Total Educational and General	$32,682.58	$35,351.70
Auxiliary Enterprises		
Dormitories	$ 1,953.70	$ 1,921.00
Dining Hall	8,699.84	10,625.15
Book Store	2,554.01	3,184.79
Intercollegiate Athletics	2,504.40	2,525.11
The Midland	519.41	496.68
Forensics	202.50	231.15
Dramatics	399.70	405.95
A Cappella Choir	226.68	213.03
Student Council	270.00	308.20
Student Union	279.35	308.20
Artists Series	none	154.10
The Warrior	none	570.55
Total Auxiliary Enterprises	$17,609.59	$20,943.91
Gross Income	$50,292.17	$56,195.61

EXPENSE

Educational and General		
General Administration	$ 7,663.99	$ 8,579.07
Instructional	19,511.09	21,168.55
Library	886.63	1,278.17
Services	2.95	93.85
Operation and Maint. of Physical Plant	7,203.71	7,346.13
Total Educational and General	$35,268.37	$38,465.77
Auxiliary Enterprises		
Dormitories	$ 410.74	$ 464.63
Dining Hall	6,935.56	8,118.86
Book Store	2,432.05	3,664.20
Intercollegiate Athletics	3,481.42	3,571.85
The Midland	679.53	839.12
Forensics	98.18	79.66
Dramatics	343.22	442.28
A Cappella Choir	313.87	221.62
Student Council	244.75	290.57
Student Union	123.22	296.54
Artist's Course	none	142.10
The Warrior	none	73.25
Total Auxiliary Enterprises	$15,062.54	$18,204.68
Other Non-Educational Expense		
Audit	$ 150.00	$ 150.00
Interest	1,776.27	1,624.85
Attorney Fees	15.00	none
Total Other Non-Educational	$ 1,941.27	$ 1,774.85
Gross Expense	$52,272.18	$58,445.30
Net Operating Deficit	*$1,980.01	*$2,249.69

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. Klink

REPORT REGARDING WESTERN THEOLOGICAL SEMINARY for the Year 1940-41

Faculty

Dr. H. F. Martin, having been called to become President of the Biblical Seminary, New York, resigned from the faculty of Western Seminary. Dr. P. W. H. Frederick was appointed acting dean. Prof. George H. Hartwig of Dana College was appointed to a professorship in the Seminary for the current year and Dr. W. F. Rangeler was asked to give all of his time during this year to Christian Education in the College, without resigning, however, from the Seminary faculty.

The faculty with the field of work for the year, is as follows:

Rev. P. W. H. Frederick, M. A., D. D., Professor of New Testament Exegesis and Systematic Theology, Acting Dean.

Rev. W. F. Rangeler, M. A., D. D., work in the College only for year 1940-41.

Rev. Thomas D. Rinde, B. A., D. D., Professor of Church History and Systematic Theology, Secretary.

Rev. George H. Hartwig, M. A., Professor of Practical Theology and Old Testament Exegesis.

Rev. Holmes Dysinger, M. A., D. D., Professor Emeritus.

Members of the faculty also have some classes at the College.

Student Body

The student body comprises two seniors, four middlers, two jun-

iors—eight in all. One middler has not yet completed his college work. All the rest are college graduates, either of Midland or some other college.

Prospects for Students Entering

Three students from Midland College have signified their intention of entering Western Seminary next fall. Some others have made inquiry about requirements and the prospects of work while in the Seminary.

The College has a larger number of young men than usual who are expecting to prepare themselves for the ministry of the Gospel.

Special Lectures

Dr. R. M. Dunkelberger, on furlough from India, gave two lectures on the work of the U. L. C. A. in India.

Dr. C. Franklin Koch, Executive Secretary of the Board of Social Missions, addressed the student body on the work of his Board.

Dr. R. V. Gilbert delivered three lectures on the Minor Prophets.

The Rev. A. H. Getz, Associate Secretary of the Parish and Church School Board, gave an illustrated lecture on Sunday School work.

Mr. Hugh Rader of Fremont, Regional Commissioner, and Mr. O. E. Schellberg of Omaha, Nebraska, each spoke on the Boy Scout Program and how it can be used in the church.

The Rev. H. E. Udd, Superintendent of the Middlewestern District of the American Sunday School Union, and the Rev. Pressly Robinson gave an illustrated lecture on the work of the Union in Nebraska.

Dr. L. H. Lesher, pastor of Grace Lutheran Church, Lincoln, Nebraska, gave lectures on the following subjects: "The Occasional Services in Practice" and "Planning the Program of the Congregation."

Dr. A. M. Knudsen, Secretary of English Missions of the Board of American Missions, discussed the work of the Board with the student body.

Mr. Arthur P. Black, Executive Secretary of the Laymen's Movement for Stewardship gave a lecture on the literature of the Church.

Calls

Calls to the pastorate have been received by the two members of the senior class.

Supplies

Regarding pulpit supplies, the aim of the Seminary is to supply weak congregations and congregations whose pulpits are vacant for a short period, until they can obtain a regular pastor for themselves.

Because of local conditions, many calls for this service have come to the Seminary this year. It is always a problem to meet such calls and not to interfere too much in the ordinary work of the students nor require too much of their time for such service. This must be guarded as much as possible.

Pastors-Students Conference

The Pastors-Students Conference was held April 24 and 25 and centered about the theme "The Church and its Missionary Activity."

Government

The question has been raised whether the Seminary should be placed under a special board of trustees and this issue was put before the eight synods directly interested at the annual convention of each of them.

Conclusion

The work of the Seminary body in the class room has been good

and the supplying of pulpits and assisting of pastors has met with approval and appreciation in many quarters. We thank God for his many blessings throughout the year.

P. W. H. Frederick, Acting Dean

The tellers reported 53 ballots cast for Statistician. The Rev. W. H. Saas, received 47 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared the Rev. Saas elected.

The time of the afternoon session was extended long enough to hear the Report of the Committee on Social Missions presented by Dr. A. O. Frank. The recommendations as a whole were adopted.

COMMITTEE ON SOCIAL MISSIONS

This is the first year the former Synodical Committees on Evangelism, Inner Missions and Social and Moral Reform have been merged into one Committee on Social Missions as approved by the National Convention in Baltimore in 1938. Under the present arrangement the object of this committee is "to promote the causes of Evangelism, Inner Missions and Social Action in the name of the Church, and in accordance with the constitution, acts and rulings of the Church." The Syodical Committee functions under the direction and in co-operation with the National Board of Social Missions.

Your Committee held one meeting in Omaha, during the National Convention in October. At this time consideration was given to ways and means of furthering the work in Synod.

One general letter was sent to all pastors. Two institutes were held jointly with the Midwest Synod on February 10th and 11th in North Platte and Lincoln respectively. These were in charge of C. Franklin Koch, D. D., Executive Secretary of the Board of Social Missions, New York. The attendance of Pastors was good, the interest and discussion proved profitable. Your Committee feels these and similar institutes deserve the wholehearted co-operation and presence of all pastors.

Since the work of this committe covers such a wide and vital part of the congregational life, as expressed in evangelism, inner missions and social missions, your committee makes the following recommendations.

Recommendations:

1. That the afternoon sessions of our fall conference meetings be devoted to the work of this committee; to ascertain needs, exchange experiences and develop a deeper interest in these phases of the work.
2. That District Conferences be planned this year in comparatively small areas for pastors and lay leaders to meet for a Sunday afternoon and evening, to discuss ways and means of localizing the work. The chairman or members of the committee to direct them.
3. That we recognize the dangers of the hour and give stress to the "Home Altar," congregational evangelism, our men in service, and our own inner mission institution, Tabitha Home.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred O. Frank, Chairman

The session adjourned at 4:45 p. m. Prayer was offered by C. B. Harman.

CONFERENCE SESSIONS

At 4:50 p. m. meetings were held by the three Synodical Conferences.

TUESDAY EVENING

At eight o'clock Tuesday evening a worship service was in charge of the pastor loci, the Rev. W. W. Alexander. The message was delivered by Dr. E. W. Harner of Denver, Colorado.

Following the worship service Dr. and Mrs. P. O. Machetzki showed pictures of the work of our Church in the mission field at British Guiana, South America.

WEDNESDAY MORNING—APRIL 30, 1941

The Devotional Service at 8:45 a. m. was in charge of Chaplain H. C. Cordts.

The business session convened at 9:30 a. m. The roll was called, 50 pastors and 25 lay delegates being present.

The Minutes of the sessions held Monday and Tuesday were read and approved as corrected.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel gave its report.

The Rev. L. J. Wolff, fraternal delegate from the Synod of the Midwest, was introduced and brought greetings from his Synod.

The Report of the Protocol Committee was presented by the Rev. L. H. de Freese.

REPORT OF PROTOCOL COMMITTE

Your committee has examined and compared the Protocol and the printed minutes of the 68th Annual Convention of Synod.

Some typographical errors of minor importance were noted. We call attention to the statement of the Apportionment which in the Minutes appears as $30,887.00 and in the Protocol as $31,420.00 In the Parochial Report on the West Point congregation in the printed Minutes the Confirmation Membership is listed at 344 and in the Protocol 274.

Respectfully submitted,
THE COMMITTEE ON PROTOCOL
Louis H. de Freese, Chairman

The Report of the State Brotherhood was presented by Secretary Rinde.

REPORT OF THE STATE BROTHERHOOD

Omaha, Nebraska, March 28, 1941

To the Officers, Pastors and Lay-delegates
of the Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, in Convention at Hooper, Nebraska, April 28-30, 1941.

Brethren in Christ:

Again the time has come that we the Brotherhood, an official

auxiliary of the Nebraska Synod, wish to make the following report:

In the year gone by, the Lord has blessed us above our expectations. In the report of the last Synodical Convention, we spoke of trying to meet the expenses connected with the entertaining of the Convention of the Brotherhood of the United Lutheran Church in America. Prayers were offered before the Throne of Grace, and many there were, who saw nothing but defeat ahead. The Lord did help us, and we can report that, after all bills were paid, the Convention Committee turned over to our Brotherhood Treasury nearly sixty (60) dollars.

That is the financial side of it; however, the blessing received spiritually is far greater. The men of our Nebraska Synod were brought closer together in Christian fellowship and feel that they are co-workers with the Lord in "bringing the Unsaved to Christ," as expressed in our first objective.

We feel that much of this is due to the co-operation, both in material and spiritual help of the officers of the Synod and of the Synod as a whole. Whenever we were confronted with a difficult problem, everyone was willing to help, and the obstacle was soon overcome. May we express our heartfelt thanks to everyone who has given us their help and support.

While our aim has been to report twenty-four active Brotherhoods in the State of Nebraska to the U. L. C. A. Brotherhood, we fell short by one. However we wish to state that in some of the congregations of the Synod, the men meet at certain times during the month with no definite program. These organizations will ultimately organize into a Men's organization. We hope and pray that more pastors will feel the necessity and help of a strong Men's organization, upon which they can depend for much of the work in the congregation.

May we, in behalf of the Synodical Brotherhood, express our thanks to the Executive Committee of the Synod, for giving us the time to hold our Twenty-fourth Annual Convention, and the Brotherhood Banquet, in conjunction with your Convention. It brings us in closer fellowship and makes us feel that the Brotherhood is a part of the Nebraska Synod.

May the Lord grant His blessing upon your deliberations and the actions taken in this Convention. May we together pledge our loyalty and devotions to Him our Lord and Master, and with His help and guidance, work in close co-operation to the furthering of His Kingdom.

To Him the Almighty God be the Glory and Honor for ever and ever.

Respectfully submitted,
Wm. F. Kedde, President

The Report of the Missionary Committee was presented by President Hershey.

REPORT OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

Three meetings were held since the last meeting of Synod. The officers of this committee are as follows: Mr. Otto Nelson, President; Dr. J. C. Hershey, Secretary; Rev. A. H. Pinkall, Treasurer. We submit the following report:

Broadwater: Organized July, 1934. Rev. E. F. Rohlfing became the pastor September, 1937. Plans for a new church building are being considered. During the Lenten season, Dr. Harman delivered his catechetical lectures to well attended and appreciative audiences. New robes have been secured for the choir. The parsonage was reshingled and the debt reduced $150.00.

Columbus: Organized in 1931. Rev. E. A. Dorner has been the pastor since December, 1936. Regular services are held each Sunday.

Ericson: Organized in 1898. Rev. E. N. Haugse supplies this congregation from his regular pastorate at Wolbach. Your committee discontinued financial support to this parish the first of January this year.

Luther Memorial, Omaha: Organized May, 1936. Rev. G. E. Moeller, the first pastor, took over this work October, 1937. Since the completion of the first unit of their church plant, the attendance has been steadily increasing. The pastor's salary has been increased, and 100% of the apportioned benevolence to Synod has been paid. New homes are rapidly filling up the vacant lots in this district.

Scribner: Organized April, 1935. Rev. C. M. N. Alexander has been the pastor since January 7, 1940. The store building in which this congrecation worships is well equipped for services. It has a real churchly appearance in the inside. This congregation has enjoyed a steady growth since its organization. With a few good crops this congregation will soon erect a building of their own.

Spencer: Organized 1930. Rev. M. B. Simon was installed pastor February 2, 1941. The church was filled for the installation service, and the attendance has kept up. Lenten services were held during the week for the first time with good attendance. An adult class is now being instructed for future membership.

Wolbach: This congregation was organized in 1903. Rev. E. N. Haugse became the pastor May 1, 1939. Fine progress is being made in the work in this parish. The pastor's salary was increased $11.00 per month beginning with January 1, 1941. Scriptural methods are being introduced for the financial support of the work.

During the year the Nebraska Synod received from the Board of American Missions $2,280.00 which was distributed as follows: Broadwater, $480; Luther Memorial, Omaha, $600; Scribner, $500; Spencer, $340; and Wolbach, $360. The Synodical Mission Committee distributed $1,020, as follows: Columbus, $420; Luther Memorial, Omaha, $480; Ericson, $120. No special grants were received this year for the churches in the drouth areas.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey, Secretary

The Rev. W. W. Klover, President of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, was introduced and brought fraternal greetings from his Synod.

The Report of the Treasurer of the Missionary Committee and the Auditor's Report were presented by President Hershey. The Auditor's Report was adopted.

THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE
EVANGELICAL LUTHERAN SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

Omaha, Nebraska

Treasurer's Report for Period Feb. 29, 1940 to Feb. 28, 1941. Depository: Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska.

Receipts

Received from Evangelical Synod of Nebraska on apportionment—regular	$1,491.60
Balance on hand February 29, 1940	119.24
Total of Receipts plus Balance	$1,610.84

Disbursements

12 months salary to J. C. Hershey	$	300.00
12 months salary to G. E. Moeller		480.00
12 months salary to E. A. Dorner		416.65
10 months salary to E. N. Haugse		100.00
Meals Committee and travel expense		6.55
Bank Debits, service charges		4.00
Total Disbursements	$1,307.20	
$1,610.84 less $1,307.20 leaves BALANCE ON HAND	$	303.64

There are no outstanding bills at this date.

Respectfully submitted,
A. H. Pinkall, Treasurer

REPORT OF THE AUDITOR IN CONNECTION WITH THE RECORDS OF THE TREASURER OF THE MISSIONARY COMMITTEE

To the Missionary Committee Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska:

This is to certify that the books of your treasurer have been audited by me this 28th day of March, 1941 and found correct. Balance on hand as shown by Stock Yards National Bank of South Omaha, Omaha, Nebraska is $401.94
(3) Outstanding checks 98.30

Balance on hand February 28th, 1941 ..... $303.64

Respectfully submitted,
H. G. Gamerl

The Report of the Committee on Foreign Missions was presented by the Rev. F. W. Henkel. The recommendation was adopted. Dr. and Mrs. P. O. Machetzki, missionaries on furlough from British Guiana, South America, spoke to Synod in connection with this Report.

COMMITTEE ON FOREIGN MISSIONS

Your committee submits the following report:

An itinerary for Miss Helene Harder was worked out to be effective during the Epiphany Season. From January 19-28, Miss Harder, Missionary assigned by the Board of Foreign Missions, visited twelve congregations.

Forty-four letters were sent out to which an excellent response was given.

Five congregations took advantage of the free literature offered by the Board of Foreign Missions, using 600 bulletins, 525 pamphlets and 420 envelopes. The above figures have been obtained from reports received in the questionnaire sent out by the committee.

Your committee wishes to recommend that all congregations of the synod take advantage of the free literature offered by the Board of Foreign Missions.

Respectfully submitted,
F. W. Henkel, Chairman

The tellers reported fifty-three votes cast for Historian. Dr. G. K. Rubrecht received forty-seven votes, a

necessary majority for election. The President declared Dr. Rubrecht elected.

The tellers reported sixty votes cast for the clerical member to the Executive Committee of Synod. Dr. W. H. Traub received thirty-one votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Dr. Traub elected.

Mr. W. A. Heuer was nominated for the lay member to the Executive Committee of Synod. A motion carried that the nominations be closed. A motion carried that the Secretary cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. Heuer as the lay member to the Executive Committee. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Mr. Heuer elected.

The Report of the Synodical Reporter to "The Lutheran" was presented by President Hershey.

SYNODICAL REPORTER TO 'THE LUTHERAN'

Your synodical reporter to "The Lutheran" has carried on the work of reporting news items of interest within the bounds of Synod under the heading "Cornhusker News." He attended the luncheon and meeting of the staff of newswriters held in Omaha during the convention, guests of the Committee on Church Papers, to consider the interests of the paper. All news letters are now edited by The Lutheran Staff. Writers were asked to confine themselves to "news" rather than editorializing. Encouraging of larger circulation was stressed, also the use of more pictures by staff writers. Your Reporter will be happy to receive pictures of interest from pastors for use in "The Lutheran." Also he wishes to stress the necessity of keeping him on the mailing list or at least informed when special events have taken place. He can send in only such information as he receives. Your hearty co-operation is solicited. He is grateful to those who have sent in bulletins, or newspaper articles from which to glean news. Nebraska Synod will get more publicity when we make news.

Respectfully submitted,
Alfred O. Frank, Reporter

The Report of the Committee on Promoting Subscriptions to "The Lutheran" was presented by the Rev. F. S. Delo. The recommendation was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON 'THE LUTHERAN'

Your Committe reports that they held two meetings and sent out two letters to the Pastors of Synod—which letters received one answer.

The last communication from "The Lutheran" said that 25 new subscribers had been received.

The opinion of the committee is, that the responsibility of circulating "The Lutheran" is dependent on the Pastors. The best results have been obtained where a competent and enthusiastic solicitor has been secured and put to work.

The Committee hesitates to make any definite recommendation; because of the difference of congregations and the peculiarities of Pastors.

The placing of a Literature Table in each congregation is sug-

gested; which will be helped by the new plans of the Promotion Committee of the U. L. C. A.

Mr. Arbogast of "The Lutheran" recommends that a committee of three be appointed in each congregation to canvass and care for "The Lutheran."

Respectfully submitted,
The Committee
Frank S. Delo, Chairman

The Report of the Stewardship Committee was presented by the Rev. G. P. Krebs. The recommendation was adopted.

REPORT OF STEWARDSHIP COMMITTEE

Can we as a Synod be proud of the fact that of all the U. L. C. A. Synods we find ourselves eighth from the bottom, with two Canadian and four Foreign Language Synods below us?

Your Committee welcomes the opportunity to report that a new interest is being shown in Stewardship in our Synod.

In 1938 and 1939 there were six and five congregations respectively that paid nothing on benevolence. In 1940 only two failed to make a contribution.

Our Treasurer reports a three per cent increase in 1940 in Benevolence. It is encouraging to see Pastor and Layman co-operating to increase Benevolences, for it speaks for our going forward, in harmony, with the church at large for (1) the U. L. C. A. is taking a new interest in its benevolent program, the Apportionment; (2) an increase in free-will-offering is general throughout the Church.

The Nebraska Synod need not remain in her present standing among the Synods of the U. L. C. A. if her Pastors and Congregations will accept the fact that "benevolences are the life blood of the congregational program throughout the years."

The Laymen's Movement provides free material on Stewardship. Ask for it and use it in your congregation.

Recommendations

1. That the local Benevolent Treasurer remit all Benevolences to the Synodical Treasurer monthly and that the Synodical Treasurer do the same towards the Institutions, etc., of the Synod.
2. That the Pastors present to the people of their congregation information regarding the Calendar of Causes.
3. That the Pastors bring before their congregation the fact that the apportioned Benevolence is a prior obligation, and that every conscientious effort be made to meet this obligation before undertaking to meet Special Appeals (except emergency appeals).

Respectfully submitted,
G. P. Krebs

The tellers reported 55 votes cast for the clerical Trustee to the Midland College Board. The Rev. W. A. Klink received 34, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Rev. Klink elected.

Mr. E. W. Augustine and Mr. A. T. Yost were nominated for the lay Trustee to the Midland College Board. A motion carried that the nominations be closed.

The Report of the Midland Assembly Board of Directors was presented by Secretary Rinde.

REPORT OF THE DIRECTORS OF THE MIDLAND ASSEMBLY

The Eighteenth Annual Midland Assembly for Church workers was held July 28 to August 2, 1940. The sessions were held on the Midland College campus in Fremont, Nebraska.

There was a devotional service each morning at 7:30 conducted by the Rev. Ralph M. Krueger, pastor of First English Lutheran Church, Iowa City, Iowa. The Rev. Krueger used for his general theme: "Some Marks of Discipleship." The respective theme for each successive day was: "The Happy Humble"; "Mirthful Mourners"; "Satisfied Seekers"; "The Mighty Merciful"; "Potent Peacemakers."

Two Credit Courses were offered. Dr. A. O. Frank, pastor of Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, Nebraska, taught the course "A Study of the New Testament"; and the Rev. L. A. Swan, pastor of St. Paul's Lutheran Church, Missouri Valley, Iowa, taught the course "A Study of the Christian Leader."

The discussion of the Mission Study Books, "Stand by for China" and "Uprooted Americans"—was led by the Rev. Krueger and Mrs. G. K. Rubrecht, North Platte, Nebraska, respectively.

The "Pastors' Hour" was in charge of the Rev. Theodore K. Finck, Editor for the Parish and Church School Board of the United Lutheran Church in America. The theme for this hour was "The Pastors' Everyday Work." The following sub-themes were discussed: "New Veins in an Old Mine"; "Better Levels of Worship"; "The Church Before the Public"; "Beyond Parish Bounds"; "Open Period for Pastors' Problems."

General lectures were delivered by Editor Finck, Dr. Fred C. Wiegman, President of Midland College, and Pastor Kenneth C. Killinger, "The Mountain Missionary." Pastor Killinger also preached the sermon at the Fremont Union Service on Sunday evening, July 28.

The Youth Assembly for boys and girls from ages 12 to 15 was in charge of the Rev. W. H. Saas, pastor of Trinity Lutheran Church, Beatrice, Nebraska. Assisting in this department were Miss Josephine Miller, Miss Mabel Tillery, Professor Gilbert Lueninghoener, and Mr. Melvin Nelson.

Miss Amanda Jorn, Falls City, Nebraska, Synodical Secretary for the "Children of the Church Program" was in charge of the Junior Assembly. Miss Mary Marx, Omaha, Nebraska, assisted Miss Jorn.

There was fine attendance in all departments. Only those who attended are able to appreciate the fine work that is being done by the Midland Assembly.

The Nineteenth Annual Midland Assembly will be held August 3-8, 1941. The Synodical Women's Missionary Society will hold its Sixty-first Annual Convention in conjunction with the Midland Assembly.

Thomas D. Rinde,
President of the Midland Assembly

The Report of the Young People's Committee was presented by the Rev. C. H. Berhenke. The recommendation was adopted.

REPORT OF THE YOUNG PEOPLE'S COMMITTEE TO SYNOD 1941

A joint meeting was held with the Parish Education Committee to consider the "unifying of the educational program within synod."

The following is a brief summary of the thought of the joint committee.

"In harmony with the general trend in our U. L. C. A., it was felt that there should be committees or committee chairmen in Synod that would be representatives of synod to the following organizations: The Children of the Church, the Young People, the Women of the Church, and the Men of the Church. At present the Children of the Church and the Young People are cared for by the Parish Education and the Young People's Committees respectively.

The chairman of these committees should be members of the Parish Education Committee which would act as a clearing house and unifying agency."

The committee was given to understand that such plans are now being worked out by our U. L. C. A. so that no definite recommendations were made.

The Committee on Young People has had a part in the setting up of the Luther League Officers and Workers Conferences in the North and South Platte Conferences of Synod. These were held in co-operation with the Luther League of the Midwest Synod at Schuyler and Beatrice. A very fine attendance, increased interest and enthusiasm was shown. It is hoped under the expanded program suggested for next year that such work can also be carried out in the Western Conference area.

Two members of the Young People's Committee were active in the Luther League Camp of the last year as camp director and camp dean. Fifty dollars of the seventy-five appropriated by synod last year was used for the camp and the camp fee was cut fifty cents per registrant.

An increasing number of Intermediate and Senior age young people are being reached and benefited by the camp program.

It is suggested that for this year the Luther League program be expanded to provide for greater co-operation and help to the local leagues. This might be done by personal visitations by representatives of synod and the Luther League, and by small district rallies.

It is further suggested that the Luther League program be expanded to include both a camp and a convention, with the camp to be a project of the League and Synod.

Special emphasis is planned for the work of the young people age group of the League.

Recommendation:

We hereby recommend that the consideration of the unified educational program of synod be continued.

Signed,
C. H. Berhenke,
Chairman of Y. P. Committee

The Report of the Luther League of Nebraska was presented by the Rev. C. H. Berhenke. The recommendations were adopted.

REPORT OF THE LUTHER LEAGUE OF NEBRASKA TO THE SYNOD OF NEBRASKA

To the officers, pastors and lay delegates of the Evangelical

Lutheran Synod of Nebraska assembled in Convention at Hooper, Nebraska.

Fellow Co-Workers:

The Luther League of Nebraska is very happy to make direct reports to the Nebraska Synod, in order that the Activities of the State League may be made known to all pastors and lay delegates of Synod.

A grave need of our present day is the binding together more strongly the Youth of the Church. Therefore the official young people's organization of our Lutheran Church, the Luther League, plays an important part. May the news of the young people's work received here at Convention encourage and aid the respective pastors and delegates of individual congregations in emphasizing and promoting more completely the Luther League Program among their own local youth.

The Luther League has advanced in the past and this advancement can be credited in part to the pastors and interest shown by the older members of the local church. In the future much will depend on their interest and enthusiasm and we the Luther Leaguers sincerely believe that with God's help and guidance progress toward reaching our young people to a greater extent will be achieved.

Membership

There are 40 Leagues now affiliated with the Luther League of Nebraska. The following gains in membership are reported for the past year: one Senior League of St. Paul's, Wayne, Nebraska, and one Intermediate League of St. Paul's, Falls City, two Intermediate Leagues have reported the joining of the Senior group, and one Intermediate has organized into a Senior group, as designated under the new program set-up of the Luther League of America. Four Leagues of congregations in the Nebraska Synod that are not affiliated with the Luther League of Nebraska have been giving thought and consideration of joining. It is sincerely hoped that during the coming year these Leagues will act upon this subject and enjoy the broader fellowship of state affiliation. May those congregations whose Leagues are not active in State League work follow the foot-steps of the two who joined during the past year.

Activities:

The Annual Camp-Convention for 1940 was held at Camp Sheldon, August 11-16. The total registration of 107 exceeded the enrollment of 1939. The increase in attendance is very gratifying and we pray that more Leaguers will benefit from the inspirational and educational camp program this coming year. The Leadership of the Bible Hour, of Leadership Training Courses, and of other special program events was furnished by members of Synods. We the Luther Leaguers, whose privilege it was to attend camp and these classes, sincerely appreciate what the pastors have done for us. Their understanding of youth, untiring services, and whole hearted support of the League program are expressions of their love and joy in doing the work of the Master.

The financial contribution of Synod for the 1940 Camp-Convention of the Luther League of Nebraska was received with exceeding great joy. The Synod of Nebraska is truly supporting the work of its youth. Surely the Luther Leaguers of Nebraska will continue to "Advance with Christ" with such support.

Two resolutions of importance adopted at the 1940 Camp-Convention were: (1) That we approve and accept the new program as set up by the Luther League of America and (2) the authorization of the appointment of a committee to work with a similar committee from the Midwest Luther League to prepare a program for regional Officers and Workers Conferences to be co-sponsored by the Mid-

west Luther League and Luther League of Nebraska. These Conferences were to be held in the Conference Areas of the Synod of Nebraska.

The chief change in the program of the Luther League of America was the age grouping so that topic material could be more suitably selected and arranged for the different ages. The new set-up calls for one League with three divisions which are as follows: Intermediates 12-14, Senior 15-17, Young People 18 and over. As the majority of the members of the Luther League of Nebraska are of smaller congregations, a combination of either two or all three age grouping is being carried out.

The second annual co-sponsored Officers and Workers Conference can again be called a success. The North Platte Conference was held at St. John's Church of Schuyler on February 8 and the South Platte Conference was held at Trinity Lutheran of Beatrice on February 22. The combined registration totaled 180. The Western Conference was again not held. The reason is chiefly because of the financial status. We pray that the difficulty now encountered in contacting the members of our Western Area will soon be overcome and that in the near future services by the Luther League of Nebraska can be rendered to those Leaguers.

Under the present administration of the Luther League of Nebraska, three executive meetings have been held.

Missionary Objective:

The Luther League of Nebraska is supporting the Missionary Objective of the Luther League of America. It is a bi-annual project with the present Objective starting in 1939 and will be finished by the dates of the National Convention of the Luther League of America in July of this year. The project is a Boy's School in Liberia, Africa, and we are happy to state the Luther League of Nebraska was the seventh member of the Luther League of America to pay its quota in full. Every effort is now being made to over-subscribe. The Missionary Zeal of the Luther Leagues is gratifying and the first and chief mission of the Church has not been forgotten.

The Luther League of Nebraska has paid in full the dues to the National organization for 1940. However, one of our greatest needs is the support of the sustaining membership fund of the Luther League of America. This has not been stressed in our local Leagues enough.

The Sustaining Membership fund comprises 20% of the budget of the Luther League of America, the remainder being met by dues and appropriation from the U. L. C. A.; therefore, if we desire the Luther League of America to promote its work among young Lutherans and extend the program of Education, missions and Life Service to a greater extent, this fund must be supported. The quota for the Luther League of Nebraska for 1941 is $55.00 We must not fail. May all pastors stress this part of the Luther League program to a greater extent during the coming year.

Recommendations:

1. (A) That pastors of congregations not having youth organizations organize a Luther League NOW and adopt the program as set up by the Luther League of America in "Advancing with Christ, in Thought, in Prayer and in Action."

(B) That pastors of congregations which have League groups not affiliated with the State League encourage them to do so.

2. That members of Synod make adequate announcements of the time and place of the forthcoming State Camp-Convention and encourage their young people to attend and take advantage of the opportunity of the fellowship in Biblical Study and wholesome recreation.

3. That members of Synod familiarize themselves more fully with the Luther League program and its departments and objectives, and to encourage support of the "Sustaining Membership Fund" of the Luther League of America.

4. That pastors emphasize the use of the official paper of the Luther League of Nebraska, "The No-awl," in spreading the work of their local Leagues.

The Luther League of Nebraska wishes to co-operate in any way possible to support the work of the Lord and Saviour through the Synod of Nebraska.

God grant that we may have more strength for unceasing service as together we work for greater earnestness and greater efficiency in the presenting of our Church program. May our prayers be for the "Advancing with Christ in Thought, Prayer and Action" throughout all our activity "of the Church, by the church, for the Church."

Edwin Berger, President

The tellers reported 56 votes cast for the lay Trustee to the Midland College Board. Mr. A. T. Yost received 45 votes, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Mr. Yost elected.

The Report of the Women's Missionary Society was presented by Mrs. W. S. Livers. Mrs. Livers also brought greetings to Synod from the Missionary Society.

REPORT OF THE WOMEN'S MISSIONARY SOCIETY

for the year ending June 30, 1940
as reported to Nebraska Synod in May, 1941.

The Women's Missionary Society of this Synod held its annual Convention in conjunction with the Midland Assembly at Fremont, July 29 to August 2, 1940. A copy of the program, reports, and minutes have been deposited with your Secretary and may be inspected at any time.

During the year ending June 30, 1940, we had reported 39 congregational women's societies and 22 young women's societies in the Synod with a total membership of 1,120. The sum of $6,040.35 was handled by our treasurer for all funds during the year. Six Conferences in six districts were held in addition to the Annual Convention. These serve the purpose of district rallies.

Officers were elected at the Convention as follows:

President, Mrs. Fred C. Wiegman, Fremont

Vice-President, Mrs. Walter A. Voss, Omaha

Secretary, Miss Lulu James, Emerson

Treasurer, Mrs. O. L. Sturtevant, Lincoln

Statistician, Mrs. Wallace Livers, Ponca

At this time the treasurer reported that our goal of $1,000 for the Visrantipuram Sanitorium in India (A Tri-ennial Stewardship Special) had been reached and exceeded by $69.40. Plans were made for the raising of our share ($1,120) of the $50,000 pledged by the General Society toward the U. L. C. A. gift of $100,000 to the Church in India. This gift is to commemorate a century of progressive missions in that country, and is to be ready by January, 1942.

We are now promoting our work entirely among the women of the church, leaving the youth programs in the hands of the Luther League and the children's programs in the hands of the Children of the Church. We solicit the interest of every pastor in the missionary instruction within these organizations.

Dr. Knubel said in Convention in Des Moines, "The chief responsibility of the Church is the missionary service. Without it the Church will perish. You (the W. M. S.) exist to emphasize that fact. I shrink with dread from the consequence to the Church if the women should eliminate the word missionary or other wise weaken their emphasis."

The time to educate Lutherans for missionary activity is in childhood and youth, so we humbly solicit the watchfulness of every pastor in his parish, that this vital education will not lag.

We, as women of Nebraska, once more pledge full allegiance to the whole program of the whole church and promise continued activity within local congregations, synodical institutions, and social, home, and foreign missionary activity of the United Lutheran Church.

Your co-operation in the past as individuals and as a Synod has been indeed gratifying and inspirational.

Respectfully submitted,
Mrs. Fred C. Wiegman, President

The Report of the Joint Merger Committee was presented by Secretary Rinde. The recommendations were adopted seriatim.

REPORT OF THE JOINT COMMITTEE ON MERGER OF SYNODS

Pursuant to the instructions of the Kansas, Nebraska and Midwest Synods, your Joint Committee on Merger met on February 17, at Atchison, Kansas at the call of the Convenor and Chairman, Dr. J. C. Hershey.

WHEREAS, the Commissioners of the Synods involved have concurred in the adoption of the revised constitution for the proposed merger (as appended) your Committee makes the following:

Recommendations:

1. That the adoption of the revised Constitution for the proposed merger be given favorable consideration at the 1941 Synodical conventions of the Synods involved. (Since this instrument is being considered by three different Synods it is understood that no alterations are permissible if favorable action is desired.)

2. It is further Recommended, if favorable action is taken by the three Synods, that the officers of each Synod be instructed to take the necessary steps to consummate the merger at the earliest possible date.

3. It is finally recommended, that, in consonance with the actions of the United Lutheran Church in America (cf. Minutes of Philadelphia Convention, pp. 453-454) and with the Statement of the Seminary Problem in the Midwest, approved by the Board of Education of the United Lutheran Church in America, as represented to the meeting of the Board of Directors of Midland College and the Western Seminary together with representatives from the German Synod of Nebraska, Kansas Synod, and Nebraska Synod on May 24, 1934, and

for the furtherance of harmony and the development of a greater Seminary in the midwest,

(a) That the administration of Western Seminary be separated from the administration of Midland College and be placed under a separate Board, as specified in the proposed Section of the Constitution (Article Six, Section V)

(b) That its removal to a city where university facilities are available be recognized as the Synod's ultimate objective.

Respectfully your
Joint Merger Committee
J. C. Hershey

The Parish Education Committee presented its recommendations in revised form.

The motion pending in connection wth this Report was adopted. (See page 19.)

The recommendations were adopted seriatim and as a whole.

REPORT OF THE PARISH EDUCATION COMMITTEE

It is indeed with a feeling of great spiritual loss that your committee bows in sorrow in memory of the Rev. Charles H. B. Lewis who for so many years represented as well as aided and directed the Synod's interest in the program of the Parish and Church School Board. Well did he fulfill his position both as U. L. C. secretary and as committee man in the work of the Synod. The information and fine direction, so freely given to his synodical committee, will be missed in its future endeavours. Let us, as members of Synod, continue this great work of Parish Education to which he so freely gave himself. We acknowledge a great pioneer in the person of Dr. Lewis for his efforts to create and enthuse the congregations and pastors of the U. L. C. to greater co-operation in the field of Parish Education.

This past year your committee was represented by the chairman, W. H. Saas, and committeeman, W. W. Alexander, at the Midwest Regional Parish Education Conference held at Maywood Seminary September 12-13. The chairman gave the Synodical report of the committee's work for 1940. A paper was presented by committeeman W. W. Alexander on the subject, "Improving the Prayer Life of Our Workers."

A word concerning the Midwest Regional Conference of the Parish and Church School Board—it is in such conferences that the Parish and Church School Board sounds the Synodical desires and feelings for Parish Education needs. This committee recommends your interest in aiding them to secure necessary improvements by co-operative information, recommendation, and suggestion for Parish Education work.

On October 25, 1940, a special joint meeting was held at Midland College in which members of the Parish Education Committee and the Young People's Committee sought to co-ordinate the work among young people in connection with the Parish Education Program. Due to the fact that such endeavours are in an experimental stage, we were instructed by Dr. S. White Rhyne to continue our plans so as to arrive at a closer co-ordination of efforts by both committees.

During the year 1940 the theme of Parish Education was "Teach All." During the Parish Education month we ask that our pastors and congregations make use of the materials prepared by the Board. For the year 1941 the general theme is "Increase and Improve," with these recommendations:

1. Increase enrollment and improve regular attendance.
2. Increase time and improve leadership.
3. Increase home co-operation and improve parent-children relation.
4. Increase personal participation and improve Christian life.

Also you have noticed the division of Parish Education endeavour in the U. L. C. into four fields—Eastern, Central, Southern, and Western. Four secretaries with specific work to carry out serve these

fields. These secretaries will change fields each year. The representative secretary for the Western division is the Rev. A. H. Getz.

Another item to which we would call attention concerns the children of the Church. By action of the convention of the U. L. C. in Omaha, the Parish and Church School Board is responsible for the work in Synod through the Synodical committee, and the congregation is fully responsible for this work in the congregation.

We recommend:

1. The adoption of the following synodical goals for this year:
   (1) The promotion of the Children of the Church program in every congregation.
   (2) The use of the Parish School Magazine in each Church.
   (3) An increase in Church School attendance.
   (4) The attendance of at least one Church School worker at Midland Assembly with instructions to take a leadership course for credit.
   (5) The use of the folders prepared by the Parish and Church School Board for the use of the parents of confirmands.
   (6) The organization of a Parish Education Cabinet or Committee in each congregation.
   (7) The use of the Christian Youth Series and the Children of the Church series in each congergation.
2. That congregations continue the use of the Guide and Standard and that those congregations that have not been using it do so during the coming year.
3. That a greater use be made of visual education in parish work.
4. That co-operation of pastors and Church School workers be extended to Rev. A. H. Getz, the Parish Education secretary assigned to this district.
5. That increased efforts be made to establish week day or vacation church schools in the congregations of synod.

Respectfully submitted,
W. H. Saas

The Report of the Ministerial Education Committee was presented by Dr. C. B. Harman. The recommendations were adopted.

MINISTERIAL EDUCATION COMMITTEE REPORT

The Ministerial Education Committee met in Grace Evangelical Lutheran Church, Hooper, Nebraska to consider the application for aid for 1941-42.

1. Harry Mumm, who will be a Junior in Western Seminary applied for aid and the Committee voted to allow him $100.00.
2. Paul de Freese, who will be a Middler in Western Seminary applied for aid and the Committee voted to allow him $100.00.
3. Kenneth de Freese, who will be a Senior in Western Seminary applied for aid and the Committee voted to allow him $100.00.
4. Milton Moore, who will be a Senior in Western Seminary applied for aid and the Committee voted to allow him $100.00.
5. Raymond W. Bartels, who will be a Junior in Midland College applied for aid and the Committee voted to allow him $125.00.

The total disbursements for the past year were $525.00.

Respectfully submitted,
C. B. Harman, Chairman

The time of the session was extended so that the recommendations in the Report of Dr. F. C. Wiegman, President of Midland College, could be given consideration.

A motion carried that the responsibility for formulating a policy for the social life on the Midland College campus be placed upon the Board of Trustees.

The session adjourned at 11:55 a. m. with prayer by Dr. W. I. Guss.

EXECUTIVE SESSION—WEDNESDAY MORNING

The Executive Session of Synod convened at 11:58 a. m.

Prayer was offered by the Rev. F. W. Henkel.

The time was extended long enough to take care of the business to come before the session.

The Report of the Examining Committee was presented by the Rev. H. Dumler.

The Report was received and the recommendations adopted seriatim and as a whole.

The session adjourned at 12:15 p. m. with prayer by the Rev. G. Gieschen.

REPORT OF EXAMINING COMMITTEE

During the year we examined the credentials of Rev. John B. Rupley and the letter of transfer from the Maryland Synod and recommended him for reception into Synod.

We also examined the credentials of Rev. R. E. Johnson of the Synod of the Northwest and recommended that he be received into Synod.

We had a satisfactory conference with Prof. G. H. Hartwig and received his letter of transfer from the Ohio Synod. We recommend that he be received into Synod.

Mr. Karl Gigstad, Senior, passed a satisfactory examination and since he has received a call for service within the bounds of our Synod, we recommend that he be ordained.

We examined Mr. Kenneth de Freese, Mr. Milton Moore, and Mr. John Rupley Jr., men who have completed two years of work in our Seminary. Since Mr. de Freese and Mr. Rupley have received calls for service within the bounds of Synod, we recommend that they be granted a license for one year. We also recommend that the president of Synod be authorized to grant license to Milton Moore, should he receive a call during the year.

With reference to the application of Mr. Mark Hirsch for ordination in order that he may accept a chaplaincy in the U. S. Army, we recommend that the President of Synod be instructed to inform Mr. Hirsch that he is unable to qualify scholastically and constitutionally.

Henry Dumler, Chairman

WEDNESDAY AFTERNOON

At 1:30 Wednesday afternoon the Synodical Necrologist, Dr. G. K. Rubrecht, conducted a Memorial Service for the Rev. Charles H. B. Lewis, D. D., and the Rev. Samuel Luther Keller. Dr. Fred C. Wiegman, President of Midland College, and Dr. P. W. H. Frederick, Acting Dean of Western Seminary, delivered brief messages on the lives and work of Dr. Lewis and the Rev. Keller, respectively.

The Committee on Reference and Counsel reported the order of business for the session.

The Report of the Committee on Student Work in non-Lutheran Schools was presented by Secretary Rinde. Dr. L. H. Lesher spoke to this Report.

REPORT OF THE NECROLOGIST

Death has again invaded the ranks of Synod and garnered into Life two of our loyal and devoted servants. By a strange coincidence their going was but a day apart in June.

Charles H. B. Lewis, D. D., associate secretary of the Parish and Church School Board, died in Dodge County Hospital, Fremont, Nebraska, June 21, 1940, at the age of sixty-four years. He was stricken a week earlier with a heart attack while preparing to show pictures at Salem Lutheran Vacation Church School. Thus he was called from the active work he loved.

Born in Pottstown, Pa.. he was educated in Ohio. He graduated with highest honor from Wittenberg Academy in June, 1897, from Wittenberg College in 1901, and from Hamma Divinity School, ranking first in his class in 1904. He received his Master of Arts degree from Wittenberg College in 1906, and also took graduate work in religious education at Northwestern University in the summers of 1924 and 1925. Both Midland and Wittenberg Colleges honored him with the degree of Doctor of Divinity in 1922.

He was united in marriage with Miss Halla Krebs in Springfield, Ohio, in June, 1904, going west to Wilber, Nebraska, for their first parish. He also served Grace, Lincoln, and Salem Church, Ponca, Nebraska. While in Ponca he organized and built a church in Allen, later serving St. Luke's Church in Emerson, Nebraska. While serving these pastorates he found time to serve as general secretary of the Nebraska Sunday Association from 1909-1912 and was president of the Nebraska Synod for several terms.

In 1921 he was called to serve the Lutheran Church in Evansville, Indiana, four years later accepting the call of the Parish and Church School Board to become Field Secretary. Fremont then became his home.

The funeral service was held in Salem Lutheran Church, Fremont, where he held his membership, conducted by the pastor, Alfred O. Frank, D. D., assisted by John C. Hershey, D. D., president of Synod; S. White Rhyne, D. D., executive secretary of the Parish and Church School Board of Philadelphia; and Fred C. Wiegman, D. D., president of Midland College.

Honorary pallbearers were: Holmes Dysinger, D. D., LL. D., W. F. Rangeler. D. D., W. I. Guss, D. D., W. T. Kahse, D. D., C. B. Harman, D. D., and P. W. H. Frederick, D. D. Active pallbearers were Rev. W. H. Saas, Prof. T. D. Rinde, D. D., Prof. G. C. Lueninghoener, Prof. R. L. Hankey, Mr. F. E. Wood and Mr. Herman Stelk.

Interment took place in Memorial Park Cemetery, Fremont. Surviving him are his widow; two children, Paul, a student in Northwestern Theological Seminary, Minneapolis, Minn., and Ruth, wife of Rev. Werner Jessen of Medford, Oregon and two grandchildren, Janet Ruth Lewis and John Lewis Jessen.

Dr. Lewis served the church most loyally and his influence was wide spread. Many appreciative articles of his worth and value appeared in the educational and church press of America. He loved the West and was ever pioneering for the church west of the Mississippi.

Rev. Samuel Luther Keller died in his home in Fremont, Nebraska, Saturday morning, June 22, at the age of eighty-one years.

Pastor Keller was born in Woodstock, Virginia, January 15, 1859. Here he received his elementary education, taught school, later graduating from Roanoke College in Virginia. Entering the Lutheran Theological Seminary in Philadelphia, he graduated in 1887 and accepted a call to his first pastorate, in Concord, North Carolina, where he served until 1889. Other pastorates were: Orangeburg, South Carolina, 1889-1892; Carmel, West Virginia, 1892-1895; Morrisburg, Canada, 1895-1900; Waynesboro, Virginia, 1901-1910; Dakota City, Nebraska, 1910-1914. Pastor Keller was in poor health for years retiring from the active ministry twenty-four years ago. Pastor Keller was the oldest member of the Nebraska Synod in years of service in the ministry. He made his home in Fremont but usually spent his winters in Florida.

He was united in marriage with Miss Elizabeth R. Miller of Concord, North Carolina, March 10, 1889. Surviving him are his widow, three children, Mrs. J. P. Larson, Cheyenne, Wyoming; Mrs. L. W. George of Los Angeles, California; and Samuel Luther Keller, M. D., of Waukegan, Illinois, and four grandchildren.

Funeral services were held in Salem Church, Fremont, June 23, where he held his membership, conducted by the pastor, Dr. Alfred O. Frank, and on June 25 in Grace Church, Waynesboro, Virginia, conducted by Pastor Alfred R. Shumate, assisted by the Rev. D. W. Zipperer of Waynesboro. Interment was made in Waynesboro.

"Blessed are the dead who die in the Lord."

Respectfully submitted,

G. Keller Rubrecht

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON STUDENT WORK AT NON-LUTHERAN SCHOOLS

The undersigned members of this committee respectfully report that the chairman left this territory during the past year, and, so far as we know no successor was appointed. Consequently no meetings were held and no action taken on any matter as a committee.

Dr. Carolus P. Harry met with those members who were present at this convention during the noon recess on Tuesday. We join him in recommending most earnestly the payment in full of the appropriation for Student Work at Lincoln. This work is now being done by Rev. Alvin Petersen for all the co-operating bodies.

G. Gieschen

The Report of the Committee on Conference Minutes was presented by the Rev. J. S. Rhine.

REPORT ON CONFERENCE MINUTES

Your committee on Conference Minutes has examined the minutes of the three conferences for the year 1940 and has found that the conferences have complied with the constitution of Synod. Two of

the conferences, the North Platte and Western, at their Fall meeting, voted to memorialize Synod to revive The Nebraska Synod Lutheran. Your committee recommends that this matter receive favorable consideration by action of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
John S. Rhine

The Report of the Committee on the President's Report was presented by Mr. E. B. Elseffer.

COMMITTEE ON PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Your committee has read the President's report and considered the various items of information as recorded in it. The report reflects the faithful services of our President. The information brings encouragement by reporting improvements which have been made to the physical equipment of the various congregations. We sense an encouragement in a desire to do some more effective evangelism on the part of many men.

Since the one recommendation is included in the report of the Social Mission Committee, we suggest that it be thus provided for.

Your committee respectfully requests our President to include in his next year's report a statement which will take the place of the former report on the State of the Church. This will give a comprehensive picture of the work as a whole as seen by one whose constant work on the field places him in a position to give such information.

We urge the fullest co-operation for continued support of our President.

Respectfully,
A. O. Frank, Chairman

The Report of the Trustees of Tabitha Home was presented by Dr. L. H. Lesher.

REPORT OF TABITHA HOME FOR 1940

1940 was a very bad year for Tabitha Home. With no support from the U. L. C. A., practically no entrance fees, and most of Dr. Ritzen's time spent on the building fund appeal, our receipts in the current fund were far from sufficient to carry us through the year.

Our financial report will show that $3,500.00 has been borrowed. This has been necessary for several years. As a result, the current fund has had to borrow $11,000.00 for running expenses.

We need an awakening of the people who want Tabitha Home to continue. Expenses have been cut as much as possible. We cannot let the aged or the children go hungry. We must have better support from the congregations.

Most of Dr. Ritzen's time has been spent on the appeal. It has been necessary for Dr. Ritzen not only to go and make the appeal to many of the congregations, but also he has had to do the canvassing. 40 churches of the Nebraska Synod have responded to the appeal; 4 have gone over their quotas; 27 are still working on the appeal; and 17 have made no response whatsoever. The total cash and pledges of the Nebraska Synod for the building fund amounted to, $4218.52 at the close of 1940.

Because of a break in Dr. Ritzen's health caused by overworking, the building program will be delayed, but it is hoped that all congregations will complete their work.

Our campaign is not complete enough to start building arrange-

ments. Because of an order from the city of Lincoln to move our heating plant which is located in a street, we expect to locate and install a heating plant during the summer. This will be the first part of the new building project.

Respectfully submitted,
Leland H. Lesher

The Report of the Committee on Letters and Papers was presented by the Rev. E. N. Haugse. A motion carried that the recommendations be considered seriatim. Recommendations one and two were adopted. A motion carried that Recommendation three be referred back to the Committee for further consideration.

The tellers reported 49 votes cast for clerical Trustee to the Tabitha Home Board. Dr. L. H. Lesher received 38, a necessary majority for election. The President declared Dr. Lesher elected.

Mr. Wm. Tegtmeyer was nominated for lay Trustee to the Tabitha Home Board. The nominations were closed. The Secretary was instructed to cast the ballot of Synod for Mr. Wm. Tegtmeyer as lay Trustee to the Tabitha Home Board. The Secretary cast the ballot and the President declared Mr. Tegtmeyer elected.

The Report of the Committee on Resolutions was presented by the Rev. C. H. Berhenke. The Resolutions were adopted as a whole.

REPORT OF THE RESOLUTIONS COMMITTEE

BE IT HEREBY RESOLVED,

1. That Synod express its hearty appreciation for the presence of Dr. R. H. Gerberding, official representative of the United Lutheran Church in America, for his heart searching message and for his interest and advice in the work of our synod.

2. That we express our appreciation of the presence of Rev. W. H. Klover, president of the Synod of Kansas and Adjacent States, a fraternal delegate.

3. That we express our thanks for the Biblical inspirational address by Dr. E. W. Harner of St. Paul's Church of Denver, Colorado.

4. That we hereby express great appreciation of the work of the Rev. W. W. Alexander, pastor loci, and Mrs. Alexander, and of the men and women of Grace Lutheran Church who have so ably entertained this convention of Synod.

5. That we express our appreciation of the growth and interest shown by our Synodical Brotherhood and trust that this promises even greater progress in the years to come.

6. That we express our appreciation to the officers and workers in Synod for the faithful and efficient service in administering the affairs of Synod during the past year and in the sessions of this convention.

7. That we as individuals and congregations offer prayer to God that the present time of insecurity and war in the world may soon be followed by a period in which the principles of the gospel shall be accepted by the nations and that peace and blessing may be granted to human kind.

8. That we express our appreciation to Mrs. Wallace Livers, representative of the Women's Missionary Society, for the encouraging and enlightening report on the work of that organization.

9. That we express our appreciation to Rev. P. O. Machetzki and his wife, foreign missionaries, for their interesting and vital picture of their work.

10. That we express our appreciation of the presence of Rev. L. J. Wolf, fraternal delegate from the Synod of the Midwest.

11. That we express to Dr. W. T. Kahse our sincere regret of his absence and wish him God speed and God's blessing.

C. H. Berhenke, Chairman

A motion carried that the Secretary be instructed to send a message to Dr. W. T. Kahse who could not be present at this Convention of Synod because of failing health.

The Report of the Committee on Claims was presented by the Rev. C. J. Naugle. The Report was adopted.

COMMITTEE ON CLAIMS

This committee has received the following claims and recommends that they be allowed:

C. H. Berhenke, Chairman Young People's Committee, for mileage and postage	$8.00
F. W. Henkel, Chairman Foreign Missions Committee, for postage and stationery	2.50
W. S. Livers, Member of Young People's Committee for mileage	3.75

Respectfully submitted,
Wallace S. Livers

The Report of the Committee on Leave of Absence was presented by the Rev. W. A. Klink. The Report was adopted.

REPORT OF LEAVE OF ABSENCE COMMITTEE

Your committee has excused the following named individuals:

Rev. Pinkall, Tuesday afternoon.

Rev. Frank, all day Wednesday.

Rev. Joens, all day Wednesday.

Rev. Stump.

Rev. Gieschen, Rev. E. C. Mortensen and Dr. George N. Mendenhall, Wednesday afternoon.

Rev. Kahse, Dr. O. D. Baltzley, Rev. G. E. Mortensen, Rev. Kemper, R. A. Quelle, William Rohlfing and Mr. Marius Christiansen, for all sessions.

Respectfully submitted,
W. A. Klink

The Rev. H. C. Cordts extended an invitation to Synod to hold its 1942 Convention in St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Falls City, Nebraska.

Dr. G. K. Rubrecht invited Synod to hold its 1942

Convention in First Lutheran Church at North Platte, Nebraska.

The Committee on Letters and Papers presented a substitute for Recommendation 3 in the original report. The substitute Recommendation was adopted.

REPORT OF COMMITTEE ON LETTERS AND PAPERS

The committee has studied the material placed in its hands and finds the following business to bring before Synod:

1. A request has been received from Missionary George R. Flora of Liberia, Africa, concerning his appearance in the congregations of Synod during his coming furlough in this country.

Your committee recommends that this request be referred to the Foreign Missionary Committee of Synod with instruction to arrange a suitable itinerary.

Your Committee also recommends that the chairman of the Foreign Missions committee be instructed to inform the Rev. Mr. Flora concerning this action.

2. A memorial has been received from the North Platte and Western Conferences that Synod again publish the Nebraska Synod Lutheran.

Your committee recommends the following:

That Synod begin publication of the Nebraska Synod Lutheran.

That the paper be published by the present committee on Synodical Paper.

That the cost of publication be paid by each congregation according to the number of copies received.

We recommend that all other details of publication be left in the hands of the committee on Synodical paper subject to the approval of the Executive Committee of Synod.

Respectfully submitted,
E. N. Haugse, Chairman

The Report of the Delegates to the Convention of the United Lutheran Church in America held in Omaha, Nebraska, October 9-16, 1940, was presented by President Hershey.

REPORT OF THE U. L. C. A. CONVENTION

For the first time in its history the United Lutheran Church in America held its Biennial Convention West of the Mississippi river and in the territory of the Nebraska Synod, Omaha. The benefits and influence of such a convention can never be measured. We have had many letters from officers and delegates, men who live in the East, expressing their joy of having had the privilege to meet with the Church in this part of the country. The one thing which they enjoyed most was their trip to Fremont Saturday afternoon during the convention. Seeing our College and Seminary gave them a vivid glimpse of the infant Church in the West. Many of them returned to their duties in the East realizing that more must be done for the growing opportunities out here.

It is impossible for your delegates to bring to you the story of so great a convention in this brief report. As many of you had the opportunity to attend all or part of the sessions and as excellent reports are given in the Year Book and through the pages of The Lutheran and

since all pastors receive the complete printed minutes of the convention, we feel that it is unnecessary to give you a detailed report.

Items of business which require the attention of this Synod will be reported to you for action by the various committees.

Respectfully submitted,
J. C. Hershey, Chairman

The Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief was presented again. A motion carried that no action be taken on the Report of the Committee on Ministerial Pensions and Relief because of the request that came from the Executive Board of the United Lutheran Church in America.

THE COMMITTEE ON MINISTERIAL PENSIONS

Your Committee recommends:

1. That the Contributory Pension plan adopted at the Omaha Convention be approved;

2. That the present plan be continued and administered in such manner that the chief benefits of its continuance will accrue to older ministers and to ministers serving congregations paying low salaries;

3. That the Board of Pensions define and publicize the principle embodied in recommendation No. 2.

Signed,
Frank S. Delo

The tellers reported 60 votes cast for the place of the 1942 Convention of Synod. Falls City, Nebraska, received 38, a necessary majority. The President stated that the 1942 Convention of Synod would be held in St. Paul's Lutheran Church at Falls City, Nebraska, the Rev. H. C. Cordts, pastor.

A motion carried that the custodian of the host congregation be remunerated in the amount of five dollars for his services during the Convention.

A motion carried that the dates for the 1942 Convention of Synod be referred to the Executive Committee and the pastor loci.

A motion carried that eleven hundred copies of the Minutes of the 1941 Convention of Synod be printed.

The Amendment to Article V., Section 1, of the Synodical Constitution presented at the 1939 Convention of Synod was adopted. The Amendment reads as follows: "Article V, Section 1, add this sentence to the first paragraph: "In their absence from Synod, the officers shall be installed as the Executive Committee may direct."

The Executive Committee was authorized to take care of all unfinished business.

The approval of the Minutes of Wednesday's sessions was referred to the Executive Committee.

At the final roll call 46 pastors and 23 lay delegates responded.

President Hershey installed the following officers:

Vice-President.....Dr. C. B. Harman
Secretary.....Dr. T. D. Rinde
Treasurer.....Mr. F. E. Wood
Statistician.....Rev. W. H. Saas
Historian.....Dr. G. K. Rubrecht

The session adjourned at 4:25 p. m. with prayer by the Rev. C. M. N. Alexander.

ORDINATION SERVICE—WEDNESDAY NIGHT

The Ordination Service Wednesday evening was in charge of the Rev. H. Dumler, Chairman of the Examining Committee. The sermon was preached by Dr. T. D. Rinde on the text II Timothy 4:1-5.

President Hershey ordained the Rev. Karl Gigstad to the office of the ministry. Students Kenneth de Freese and John B. Rupley, Jr., were licensed for one year.

The Formal Closing of the 1941 Convention of Synod was conducted by President J. C. Hershey.

These Minutes are certified to be the correct record of the proceedings of the 69th Annual Convention of The Evangelical Lutheran Synod of Nebraska, convening April 28, 29 and 30, 1941 in Grace Lutheran Church at Hooper, Nebraska, the Rev. W. W. Alexander, pastor loci.

J. C. Hershey, President
Thomas D. Rinde, Secretary.

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		Adult Members														G.-L.		
		L.	Accessions					Losses				G.-L.						
		Net Loss	By Baptism	By Confirm.	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	By Death	By Certificate	Otherwise	Total	Net Gain	Net Loss			Total Net Gain	Total Net Loss	
1	Allen	F	1		5		6			44	44		38					28
2	Auburn	S	10	16	3		29					28				29		
3	Beatrice	T 6	2	6	5		13					13				7		
4	Benedict	Z	1	1	1		3	2	4		6		3			2		
5	Broadwater	U	2	5	8		15	1		1	2	13				28		
6	Columbus	U	2	5	5		10		4	4	8	2				3		
7	Dalton	T					7	1	3		4	3				6		
8	Dakota City	E	1		9		10	2	3	1	6	4				10		
9	Dakota City	S	4	4			8	2			2	6				7		
10	Davenport	C														2		
11	Eagle	T		9	1		10	3	6		9	1				6		
12	Emerson	S		2			3					3				2		
13	Ericson	F 1	5	22	10	16	53	9	6		15	38				42		
14	Falls City	S	5	28	33		66	11	21		32	34				28		
15	Fremont	S 6	20	51	9	6	86	12	17	15	44	42				61		
16	Grand Island	S		4	2		6		3		3	3				9		1
17	Gurley	G						2			2	2					20	31
18	Hampton	E				3	7	3	2	22	27					5		
19	Hardy	S	1	4	3		3		2		2	1				9		
20	Hildreth	S					16	3	1		4	12				45		
21	Homer	S 3	3	13			38	1	6		7	31				18		
22	Hooper	G	5	19	7	7	24					24				5		
23	Hubbard	T 6	4	10	2	8	13	2	3		5	8						
24	Leigh	S 3	1	12			4			10	10		6					2
25	Lewellen	G	2	1	1													
26	Lincln	S					51	3	6	10	19	32				32		
27	Lincoln	G	3	29	19		16	1			1	15				5		
28	McCool Junction	F 10	3	12		1	36	7	5		12	24				34		
29	Nebraska City	F	4	16	10	6	60	7	7	2	16	44				50		
30	North Platte	F	7	32	10	11	38	2	11	10	23	15				36		
31	Omaha	F	10	20	3	5	17	3			3	14				20		
32	Omaha	G	1	13	3		271	35	70	150	255	16				11		
33	Omaha	K	44	151	53	23	9	1		1	2	7				16		
34	Omaha	L	1	3	5		68	3	10		13	55				85		
35	Omaha	R	10	21	11	26	71	5	15		20	51				92		
36	Omaha	S	10	47	3	11	22			3	1	4	18			24		
37	Omaha	S	4	14	1	3	7	1		2	10	13		6				4
38	Oshkosh	S	1		6		13			2		2	11			10		
39	Paxton	T 1	2	11			27	3	3	5	11	16				26		
40	Ponca	S	1	10	6	10	3	2			2	1				4		
41	Potter	F			3		15	3	37		40			25				56
42	Rising City	F 31	1	11	3		22	1	8		9	13				5		
43	Scribner	U 8	1	16		5	34	1	1	12	14	20				42		
44	Sidney	T	5	4	25		7	1			1	6				9		
45	Snyder	I			5	2	48	6	4		10	38				60		
46	South Sioux City	F	5	23	11	9	5	3			3	2				3		
47	Spencer	U	1	4			6					6				5		
48	Stamford	T 1	2	2	1	1			2		2			2				2
49	Stella	T							1		1			1				
50	Sutherland	G			2		2	1			1	1		1		5		
51	Tekamah	E					13							13		13		
52	Vacoma	S		13						6	6			6				10
53	Verdon	S 4					18							18		19		
54	Walton	G	6	8	3	1	12	2	7		9	3		3				1
55	Wayne	S 4		10	2		36	8	10	15	33	3						13
56	West Point	G 16	2	34			25		3		3	22				25		
57	Wilber	F	15	4		6			3	67	70		66					59
58	Wolbach	T	2	2			4									3		
59	York	F																
		100	211	727	288	159	1385	156	288	386	830	732	219	958	207			

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1	Allen	First	1912	State Highway No. 9	Cress, F. L.	Eng.	261	216	113	5	5	10					10		1		5		6			44	44		38					28
2	Auburn	St. Paul's	1884	21st and O Sts.	Henkel, F. W.	"	507	336	267	15	1	16	14	1		15	1		10	16	2		28					28		29			
3	Beatrice	Trinity	1883	9th and Elks Sts.	Saas, W. H.	"	278	213	117				6			6		6	2	6	5		13					13		7			
4	Benedict	Zion	1881	Benedict	Mortensen, E. C.	"	305	215	112	6		6	1			1	5		1	1	1		3	2	4		6		3	2			
5	Broadwater	United	1934	Broadwater	Rohlfing, E. H.	"	235	156	113	16		16			1	1	15		2	5	8		15	1		1	2	13		28			
6	Columbus	United	1930	Columbus	Dorner, E. A.	"	180	125	84	1	5	6	5			5	1			5	5		10		4	4	8	2		3			
7	Dalton	Trinity	1930	Dalton	Rhine, J. S.	"	157	114	105	3		3					3		2	5			7	1	3		4	3		6			
8	Dakota City	Emmanuel	1858	Dakota City	Vacant	"	25	23	9																									
9	Dakota City	Salem	1872	Three miles west of Dakota City	Vacant	"	299	210	103	6		6					6		1		9		10	3	3	1	6	4		10			
10	Davenport	Christ's	1892	Davenport	Dumler, H.	"	554	320	224	4		4	3			3	1		4	4			8	2			2	6		7			
11	Eagle	Trinity	1893	Eagle	Vacant	"	85	69	52	2		2					2													2			
12	Emerson	St. Luke's	1911	Emerson	Krebs, Geo.	"	683	404	195	5		5					5			9	1		10	3	6		9	1		6			
13	Ericson	First	1898	Ericson	Hausse, E. N.	"	45	29	14	1		1	2			2		1	1	2			3					3		2			
14	Falls City	St. Paul's	1913	Falls City	Cordts, H. C.	E. & G.	843	621	564	15	6	21	16	1		17	4		5	22	10	16	53	9	6		15	38		42			
15	Fremont	Salem	1902	East Miltary Ave. and C St.	Frank, A. O.	Eng.	931	711	470	8	11	19	24	1		25		6	5	28	33		66	11	21		32	34		28			
16	Grand Island	St. Paul's	1882	503 West 2nd St.	Harman, C. B.	"	2111	1391	825	48	2	50	20	1	10	31	19		20	51	9	6	86	12	17	15	44	42		61			
17	Gurley	Grace	1916	Gurley	Rhine, J. S.	"	199	128	110	10		10	3		1	4	6			4	2		6		3		3	3		9			
18	Hampton	Emmanuel	1916	Hampton	Gigstad, Karl (Supply)	"	134	97	60	1		1					1							2			2	2			1		
19	Hardy	St. Paul's	1881	Hardy	Delo, F. S. (Supply)	"	153	100	88	1		1	5		7	12	11		1	4		2	7	3	2	22	27		20		31		
20	Hildreth	St. Paul's	1927	Hildreth	Kemper, C. H.	"	232	192	89	4		4					4				3		3		2		2	1		5			
21	Homer	St. Paul's	1886	Homer	Frederick ,S.	"	309	272	150	10		10	13			13		3	3	13			16	3	1		4	12		9			
22	Hooper	Grace	1915	Hooper	Alexander, W. W.	"	450	329	265	12	2	14					14		5	19	7	7	38	1	6		7	31		45			
23	Hubbard	Trinity	1905	Hubbard	Frederick, S.	"	189	158	80	5		5	10	1		11		6	4	10	2	8	24					24		18			
24	Leigh	St. John's	1918	Leigh	Motzkus, W.	E. & G.	380	235	173	3		3	5	1		6		3	1	12			13	2	3		5	8		5			
25	Lewellen	Grace	1906	Lewellen	Heidenreich, W. C.	Eng.	193	94	50	4		4					4		2	1	1		4			10	10		6		2		
26	Lincion	St. James'	1925	Lincoln	Vacant	"	120	114	73																									
27	Lincoln	Grace	1890	14th and F Sts.	Lesher, L. H.	"	834	698	432	13	10	23	19		4	23			3	29	19		51	3	6	10	19	32		32			
28	McCool Junction	First	1900	McCool Junction	Simon, M. B.	"	243	173	86	2		2	12			12		10	3	12		1	16	1			1	15		5			
29	Nebraska City	First	1866	3rd Corso and 9th St.	Schuldt, T. J. C.	"	391	257	173	11		11		1		1	10		4	16	10	6	36	7	5		12	24		34			
30	North Platte	First	1880	5th and Sycamore	Rubrecht, G. K.	"	1190	904	510	21	30	51	23	2	20	45	6		7	32	10	11	60	7	7	2	16	44		50			
31	Omaha	First	1907	2547 North 62nd St.	Berhenke, C. H.	"	830	519	317	23		23	1	1		2	21		10	20	3	5	38	2	11	10	23	15		36			
32	Omaha	Grace	1889	1326 South 26th St.	Goede, W. H.	"	689	362	211	13	2	15	9			9	6		1	13	3		17	3			3	14		20			
33	Omaha	Kountze Memorial	1858	2606 Farnam St.	Traub, W. H.	"	6649	4922	2247	100	65	165	75	5	90	170	5		44	151	53	23	271	35	70	150	255	16		11			
34	Omaha	Luther Memorial	1936	53rd and Seward Sts.	Moeller, G. E.	"	94	63	52		10	10	1			1	9		1	3	5		9	1		1	2	7		16			
35	Omaha	Redeemer	1917	24th and Larimore Sts.	Voss, W. A.	"	1202	845	520	17	30	47	17			17	30		10	21	11	26	68	3	10		13	55		85			
36	Omaha	St. Luke's	1905	24th and I Sts.	Pinkall, A. H.	"	1114	762	540	32	12	44		1	2	3	41		10	47	3	11	71	5	15		20	51		92			
37	Omaha	St. Mark's	1886	20th and Burdette Sts.	Stump, W. C.	"	450	261	130	11	2	13	6		1	7	6		4	14	1	3	22		3	1	4	18		24			
38	Oshkosh	St. Mark's	1906	Oshkosh	Heidenreich, W. C.	"	264	156	45	2		2					2		1		6		7	1	2	10	13		6		4		
39	Paxton	Trinity	1902	Paxton	Davis, R. V.	"	378	273	163	7		7	8			8		1	2	11			13		2		2	11		10			
40	Ponca	Salem	1866	Ponca	Livers, W. S.	"	508	372	199	11	5	16	5		1	6	10		1	10	6	10	27	3	3	5	11	16		26			
41	Potter	First	1892	Potter, Nebr.	Kahse, W. T.	"	98	46	26	1	2	3					3				3		3	2			2	1		4			
42	Rising City	First	1881	Rising City, Nebr.	Baird, H. V.	"	274	207	194	11		11	5	3	34	42		31	1	11	3		15	3	37		40		25		56		
43	Scribner	United	1935	Scribner, Nebr.	Alexander, C. M.	"	333	219	190	3	7	10	16	0	2	18		8	1	16		5	22	1	8		9	13		5			
44	Sidney	Trinity	1886	10th and Linden Sts., Sidney, Nebr.	Kahse, W. T.	"	388	186	154	10	15	25	3			3	22		5	4	25		34	1	1	12	14	20		42			
45	Snyder	Immanuel	1899	Snyder, Nebr.	Alexander, C. M.	"	114	84	56	3		3					3				5	2	7	1			1	6		9			
46	South Sioux City	First	1920	21st and A Sts., South Sioux City	de Freese, L. H.	"	755	427	261	21	10	31	6	1	2	9	22		5	23	11	9	48	6	4		10	38		60			
47	Spencer	United	1930	Spencer, Nebr.	Simon, M. B.	"	262	142	80	5		5	4			4	1		1	4			5	3			3	2		3			
48	Stamford	Trinity	1888	Stamford, Nebr.	Henriksen, H.	"	222	179	106	1		1			2	2		1	2	2	1	1	6					6		5			
49	Stella	Trinity	1884	Stella, Nebr.	Miller, J. C.	"	59	41	22															2			2		2		2		
50	Sutherland	Grace	1902	Sutherland, Nebr.	Davis, R. V.	"	73	39	12	1		1					1							1			1		1				
51	Tekamah	Emmanuel	1858	12th and L Sts., Tekamah, Nebr.	Wiegman, P.	"	208	101	35	3	1	4					4				2		2	1			1	1		5			
52	Vacoma	St. John's	1893	11 miles east of Hooper	Alexander, W. W.	"	105	80	65											13			13					13		13			
53	Verdon	St. Mark's	1883	3¼ miles southeast Verdon	Miller, J. C.	"	258	191	114	8		8			12	12		4								6	6		6		10		
54	Walton	Grace	1916	Walton, Nebr.	Vacant	"	181	151	84	4		4	3			3	1		6	8	3	1	18					18		19			
55	Wayne	St. Paul's	1881	Wayne, Nebr.	Gieschen, G.	"	591	423	223	4		4	8			8		4		10	2		12	2	7		9	3				1	
56	West Point	Grace	1874	West Point, Nebr.	Klink, W. A.	"	506	337	316	10		10	24	2		26		16	2	34			36	8	10	15	33	3				13	
57	Wilber	First	1889	Wilber, Nebr.	Ruprecht, J. B., Jr. (Supply)	"	280	147	70	3		3					3		15	4		6	25		3		3	22		25			
58	Wolbach	Trinity	1903	Wolbach, Nebr.	Hausse, E. N.	"	311	206	92	7		7					7		2	2			4		3	67	70		66		59		
59	York	First	1927	8th St. and Grant Ave., York Nebr.	Simon, M. B.	"	275	182	68	4		4		1		1	3														3			
					Total		29987	20827	12258	547	233	780	372	23	189	584	328	100	211	727	288	159	1385	156	288	386	830	732	219	958	207			

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Index Number	Number	Staff Members	In Sunday School	In Home Dept.	Cradle Roll	Number	Teachers	Pupils	No. of Groups	Leaders	Pupils	Number of Catechumens	In Lutheran Seminaries	In Lutheran Mother-houses	In Other Lutheran Inst.	In Non-Lutheran Institutions	Men Number	Men Members	Women Number	Women Members	Mixed Number	Mixed Members	Y. Peo. Number	Y. Peo. Members	Church Building	Parsonage	School and/or Parish Home	Endowment	Other Property	Total Valuation	Indebtedness	Current	Unusual	Total	Education	Foreign Missions	American Missions	Social Missions	Other Benevolence	Total	Amount Apportioned	Amount Paid	Total Benevolence	Total Expenditures
1	1	18	140	25	23	1	12	85	1	4	30	8			1		1	26	3	160					15000	4000				19000	770	1253	256	1509				13		13	616	88	101	1610
2	1	27	208	9	12	1	11	85				22			4		1	28	4	57			1	40	10500	4000				14500		2280	325	2605	44	166	15	697	44	966	925	345	1311	3916
3	1	20	95		9	1	3	24				5					1	12	3	71			2	22	30000	6500				36500		1877		1877	12			16		28	607	70	98	1975
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